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resignation

Front page



Funds appear
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snowmobile
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Front page



'We have been enjoying the antics of a friendly loon as he takes his daily swim up the pond. Also, a while ago a flock of wild ducks seemed to enjoy their overnight stay on the pond.'

ALICE KIMBALL
The Bethel Citizen November 1974

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toward its goal of \$8,000.
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'Pa rum pum pum' ... what?!

Local woman present at the birth of a modern Christmas classic

By ALISON ALOISIO
"What do you think, Marie?"
"Pa rum pum pum pum?" It'll never fly."

That was what Marie Bartlett said in 1958, when her songwriting uncle asked her opinion of a Christmas song he was working on. Its title: "The Little Drummer Boy."

Her uncle's ditty, thought Bartlett, a teenager at the time, was no "Heartbreak Hotel." In fact, she said, it was corny.

Her uncle, Henry Onorati, never let her live down her pronouncement on his song. Released in November of that year, "The Little Drummer Boy" was a smash hit immediately. And it's been a Christmas classic ever since.

Bill Cullen, an NBC disc jockey at the time, couldn't stop playing it the first night, according to newspaper accounts.

Bartlett, who now lives in Greenwood, grew up in Massachusetts. Onorati was her father's brother. He was also the president of 20th-Century Fox Records at the time — an executive, not a composer.

But, said Bartlett, there was a tune he first heard in 1934 called "The Drum Carol," that he had kept in his head for years. The music had been unearthed by a woman named Katharine Davis, who collected old music.

When Onorati became Fox president in 1958, he and Davis got together and wrote new words to go with the old music.

The song told the story of a poor boy who plays his drum for Jesus on the night of his birth. Unlike the material gifts of the three kings, the music brings a smile from the Christ child.

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How sweet it is to be home for the holiday



Deb Germain and Brenda Irish of Andover are the architects of a gingerbread house that is on display this week at the Andover Elementary School.
(Photo by Patty Brown)

Mountain Rescue called on for urban tragedy

By ALISON ALOISIO
When the Maine Warden Service called Mahosuc Mountain Rescue last week and asked for help in finding the body of an apparent murder victim, president Bob Baribeau was hesitant.

"We were reluctant to go," said Baribeau, whose Bethel-area team specializes in mountain and wilderness rescues. "It's not really what we do."

The woman authorities were searching for was Amy St. Laurent, 25, of South Berwick, who disappeared in October after an evening of dancing in Portland's Old Port area.

An eye for what looks right in the woods helped members find murdered woman's body

Police were planning a weekend search in the Westbrook/Scarborough area, based on information and a suspect they had in mind.

Baribeau said his rescue group decided to help out because, he said, success would at least bring closure to St. Laurent's family. It would prove to be a good decision.

A trained eye

Baribeau said the nine members who volunteered Saturday were split up among various search groups. The perspective they could offer: "We know what looks out of place in the woods," he said.

The groups fanned out across the area of search. In early afternoon, team member Landon Fake of

Outward Bound and his group were searching the woods off Route 22 in Westbrook, across from Smiling Hill Farm.

Fake came across a few pine boughs lying on the ground. The arrangement didn't look quite natural. He picked them up, and found what clearly appeared to be a shallow grave.

At that point, the police took over. They found a body in the grave, and it has since been identified as that of St. Laurent.

A sad discovery, said Baribeau, "but if it was your relative, you'd

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Route 26 crash claims the life of local woman

By ALISON ALOISIO
Longtime Albany resident Alice Kimball, 92, died Friday as a result of injuries she suffered in a two-car accident on Route 26.

Kimball was a passenger in a car driven by her daughter, Ethel Turner, 54, of Otisfield. They were headed south around 1 p.m. when a northbound car driven by Nora Wax, 49, of Memphis, Tenn., attempted to turn left into the Serenity Corners parking lot, across from Telstar High School.

Wax apparently did not see the Turner vehicle, according to the Bethel Police report, and the cars collided nearly head-on.

Two Bethel Rescue ambulances responded to the crash. All three women were transported to Stephens Memorial Hospital, where Kimball died of her injuries.

Turner and Wax were treated and released. All three were wearing seatbelts, according to Darren Tripp, Bethel police chief. The case is still under investigation.

Both the 1986 Volvo driven by Turner and the 1998 Mazda driven by Wax were declared total losses.

Kimball was an Albany town column correspondent for the Bethel Citizen for many years (see obituary, page 24).

Prospects brighten for Rt. 2 snowmobile bridge

By MICHAEL DANIELS

The long-awaited snowmobile bridge across the Androscoggin River could finally be on Bethel's horizon.

Following a meeting last week in Augusta, Town Manager Scott Cole said he was "very optimistic" a multi-use recreational bridge could be built by 2003.

Local snowmobilers have long complained that the current means of crossing the river — by using the narrow shoulders of the Route 2 automobile bridge — is extremely dangerous, especially when visibility is reduced by bad weather.

A number of design and funding alternatives have been studied over the years, but none has proven feasible.

See BRIDGE, page 2

Local code officer opts out

By MICHAEL DANIELS

Donald Murphy, code enforcement officer and plumbing inspector for Bethel and Newry, has announced his resignation.

Murphy, who also serves as Bethel's in-house planner, cited personal reasons in his letter of resignation.

"It is with mixed feelings and sincere regret that I have decided to leave my employment with the Town of Bethel," Murphy said. "The decisive reasons are purely personal and mainly reflect a desire to return to the private sector. I have personally and professionally grown during my employment with the town and feel that the work I have accomplished in special projects and planning helped my community during difficult administrative times."

By severing his employment with Bethel, Murphy in effect does the

same with Newry. He has served since 1999 as CEO/LPI of both towns, as part of an interlocal agreement under which his time and salary were shared on a 90/10-percent basis between the two towns.

Bethel Town Manager Scott Cole said Murphy "did a great job and I'm very sorry to see him leave."

Cole said he has does not plan to advertise immediately for a replacement. Rather, he said, he will study the town's evolving planning and enforcement practices.

Murphy has worked for the town for four years, and over that time his position evolved and responsibilities increased.

"The job wasn't made for him,"

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The Bethel Rotary Club has raised \$4,200 toward its goal of \$8,000 in this year's Christmas for Children campaign.

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Letters

WE'VE INVESTED TOO

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to the recent Town Meeting held on the moratorium and gravel pits vs. rock crushing. The issue got a bit muddled, as it seemed to get on the track of the Savage Excavation public hearing, which isn't until Dec. 19, but I feel the need to comment on the proceedings. Ron Savage waxed eloquently about how much money he has put into his business. I guess I wonder, do people think that our homes and our decision to live out in the country was made lightly and we all just had a surplus of money laying around to invest in our homes, our future and our children's future? Careful thought went into every one of the land abutters decision to buy on the Intervale Road, and living in front of a heavy industrial business was not part of my decision.

The fact that it is illegal for the Savage operation to be running and this is conveniently being ignored by the code enforcement officer, the town manager, the selectmen and the members of the Planning Board is astounding and appalling to me. There is such a thing as due process, and rights are being violated when it is not followed. I am sorry if it is a pain for those involved, but the law is the law and this whole idea of we'll ignore the law until we decide if we want to change it and then we'll ignore it some more once it is changed is ludicrous. Just some of my thoughts on the matter; please come to the public hearing on Dec. 19 to hear more or be heard.

Oh, by the way, FYI for all, a completed site plan includes proof of a 10-day advanced notice to all land abutters, not a notice received the day after all material is due in to the Planning Board.

Susan Isham
Intervale Road landowner

POSITION CLARIFIED

To the Editor:

My position regarding the legal effect of a potential moratorium ordinance affecting rock-crushing operations in Bethel was misrepresented in the Dec. 6 edition of the "Bethel Citizen." Sometimes, the difficulty in communicating the full context of a Town Meeting discussion, and the natural brevity of newspaper reporting combine to tell less than the full story. The following is offered for clarification.

Had the moratorium been enacted, its effect would have been to prevent future rock-crushing operations from applying to the Planning Board for local approval for a period of six months, or longer. Those operations already in existence, but lacking local approval, would also have been prevented from seeking approval via action of the moratorium.

Enactment of the moratorium itself would not have forced closure of rock-crushing operations. Rather, the lack of either "grandfather" status, or pre-moratorium local approval, would constitute the reason for closure of a given operation. This would have been the case with the Savage operation off Intervale Road, which has been operating without local approval for several months.

Scott G. Cole
Town Manager

LIVING NATIVITY PREPARATIONS

To the Editor:

It is that time of the year in which we as a community celebrate the Christmas season in many ways — Country Christmas in Bethel, school programs, church services, caroling, business and family open houses, and the annual Living Nativity, presented on the Common by the people of the community. When we moved to this community over five years ago, I was surprised and thrilled that this community presented a living nativity program, remembering the true meaning of Christmas amidst all the hustle and bustle of everything else that has become part of the celebration. How refreshing. How appropriate. What a joyful thing to gather the community for at this special season of the year.

Well, it is that time of the year again. So, this is a call to all who would like to get involved in the presentation again (or for the first time) this year. It takes a lot of people to "pull it off." We need shepherds, wise men, angels (big and small), and others who can work together with others to fill the cast. We also need community choir members who will sing in the gazebo. Finally, we are also in need of animals (the four-legged kind), farm animals. If anyone would like to be involved at any of these levels, preparation will begin at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 23, at the Bethel Inn. So come, don a costume, grab a shepherd's staff, put on a king's crown, or grow some angel wings and a halo (if for but a short time). We also need a crowd to watch, listen and sing, so come and be a part of this special community expression of Christmas celebration. The presentation will begin at 5 p.m. on the Common, next to the gazebo.

We are in special need of a young family to play the Holy Family, a married couple that has recently had a baby (though not too young, as it may be cold) that would like to be center stage for a few minutes. Whether the baby is a boy or girl doesn't matter. Anyone interested may contact me.

Anyone with questions or anyone who would like to let us know their willingness to help in advance, please call the Bethel Alliance Church at 824-2289. We'll see everyone on Dec. 23 at the Common. Merry Christmas.

The Rev. Rick Mowery
Bethel

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Citizen welcomes letters to the editor. We hope our readers will regard the Opinion Page of the newspaper as a public forum for discussing any topic they believe to be of interest to the community.

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CPS STUDENT COUNCIL IS HELPING OUT

To the Editor:

Crescent Park School has a Student Council of 21 students in grades three through five. We do several fundraisers and community service projects throughout the year. Right now we are in the process of collecting winter items for kids that will be donated to the Bethel District Exchange. We are also collecting items for the local Food Pantry. On Wednesday, Dec. 19, the student body and staff at Crescent Park School plan to form a human chain from CPS to the Ethel Bisbee School to hand deliver the items collected. We will be doing this at 1:30 in the afternoon and would love to have others join us. If this should be a storm day, it will be rescheduled to the next day, Thursday.

Another project is our yearly collection of money for Christmas for Kids. We're in hopes to collect at least \$350 to give as a donation to the Bethel Rotary Club, to help them with this worthy project.

Throughout the year, we will continue our collection of old eyeglasses to be donated to the Lyons Club who in turn donates them to a program that recycles the glasses and donates them to less fortunate individuals in need of glasses.

Anyone who would like to help out with any of our projects, please contact me at Crescent Park School. Judy Coolidge
Director, Crescent Park School Student Council

MUSIC MAKERS' CHRISTMAS CONCERT THANKS

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Mahoosuc Music Makers, the Bethel area's community band, we would like to thank the community for its support, encouragement and wonderful reception at our Christmas concert Sunday afternoon. The band worked hard over the past three months preparing a concert that we enjoyed, and we were pleased to see that those who attended enjoyed it, too.

A special thank you to Patricia Boyle-Wright, band director, whose prodding, encouragement and good humor kept us going through a fall that was filled with a lot of other distractions. And for Ernie Downs, thank you for stepping up to assist with the directing and for introducing us to some new music and ideas. Suzanne and Brian Dunham provided us with another wonderful program. The generosity of the West Parish congregation in sharing their wonderful space with us. And, to everyone in the band who contributed their little extra hats for our finale, goodies for the reception, signs to advertise, help with the setting up and just being there to make wonderful music — thank you.

We are especially grateful to our supporters in the audience who contributed so generously. The funds collected help us to continue to expand our music library, to purchase new instruments and percussion "toys," and to pay the various expenses that an organization such as ours is responsible for. We are a nonprofit, tax-exempt organization and appreciate any financial support. But the most heartening and energizing support came Sunday night with what we estimated was our best-attended concert yet, for which we say thanks.

Look for our bake sale table in the Bethel Foodliner on Friday, Dec. 14, beginning at 9 a.m. And remember, all are welcome to play with us — we will resume rehearsals Monday, Jan. 7, at 7 p.m. in the hall of the West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel.

Nancy Morris
Mahoosuc Music Makers

PROJECT CANOPY CAN HELP OUR AIR

To the Editor:

Was anybody in Maine surprised in October when the Environmental Protection Agency reported that the state suffered more unhealthy air-quality days this summer than it has in a decade?

We shouldn't have been surprised, and research says that apparently we were not. The Maine Forest Service conducted focus groups in both northern and southern Maine this summer and we discovered that citizens are acutely aware of increasing air pollution. Not only that, people are also very worried about heating costs. And the cost of air-conditioning a building. And disappearing green space. Stress. The greenhouse effect, and most of all, sprawl. In fact, nothing worries Maine people more than urban and suburban sprawl, as the "old Maine" we all know and love continues to vanish.

How can we confront these challenges? With the creative use of trees, that's how. I am very pleased to let readers know that the Department of Conservation's Maine Forest Service has launched Project Canopy, an effort to help Maine municipalities develop long-term community tree programs that maximize the benefits trees and forests provide. Even though Maine is the most forested state in the nation, we under utilize these potential benefits. Project Canopy is designed to raise awareness of these benefits, and provide technical assistance, education programs, help with publicity, advice about recruiting volunteers, and possibly even some seed money to get key projects off the ground.

Think about those unhealthy air days the EPA told us about. Then consider that if a community strategically places the right tree in the right place, when that tree matures it will absorb up to 10 pounds of air pollution every year.

And that's just one example. The truth is, trees pack a real punch when it comes to confronting some of the problems that worry Maine people. If anyone would like to find out more about creative ways to put trees to work in their community, I warmly extend the invitation to call the Maine Forest Service toll-free at (800) 367-0223, and ask for Project Canopy. More information about Project Canopy is available on the Web at www.projectcanopy.org. Or I can be reached directly by e-mail at Kevin.Doran@state.me.us.

Kevin Doran, Program Director, Project Canopy
Maine Forest Service, Augusta

Bridge

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But now, Cole said, the money appears to be at hand, largely because of a \$61 million transportation bond passed by Maine voters last month.

Two million dollars of the bond was earmarked for multi-use recreational bridges. That's roughly enough to pay for three bridges, and Bethel is currently two or three on the state's priority list for such projects Cole said.

The first priority is an Androscoggin crossing in Canton for

which the approximately \$800,000, has been penciled in, he said.

The remaining money is expected to be divided in some form between projects in The Forks and Bethel.

In 1998 a request for design-build bids for a bridge elicited bids ranging from \$350,000 to \$800,000.

Cole said the next step in the process is for the town to draw up a draft agreement with the state departments of Transportation and Conservation (which will administer the project funding).

He said he hoped to have a draft of such an agreement ready to present to the selectmen at their first meeting in January.

If that agreement is accepted by all parties, the process would move into the design phase, at which time additional local input would be sought, Cole said.

He said local political action and the Maine Snowmobile Association were instrumental in getting the needed funding included in the bond that went to voters.

Rescue

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want to know," he said.

Would the group do that sort of search again, if asked?

"We might do it again," he said, given the fact their expertise played a key role in the St. Laurent case. He said also that law enforcement and the Warden Service are in need of extra help because they have been called upon for additional

duties since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Other rescue team members who took part in the St. Laurent search were David Walker, Barb Fiore and John Albright of Outward Bound, Nate Wright of the Bethel Police Department, Jim Sysko of Gould Academy, Chris Hayward and Dan Elliot.

Murphy

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Cole said, "he made the job, and we're going to stay with that model."

Murphy, who has worked as a self-employed mason, has a bachelor of science degree in forestry and environmental studies.

He said he hoped now to employ his planning and code enforcement knowledge in the private sector.

NEW SENATE PRESIDENT

State Sen. Richard Bennett (R-Norway) became president of the Maine state Senate last Thursday. This puts him first in line to succeed the governor. Bennett, at 38, is the youngest member of the Senate. He takes over midway through a legislative session as part of an arrangement worked out after the 2000 election failed to give either party a majority. During the first session Sen. Michael Michaud (D-East Millinocket) presided over the Senate as president while Bennett served in a new capacity as president pro tempore. This session their roles have reversed. "In the 2000 elections voters gave no clear mandate to any party at either the state or national level," Bennett said. "Here in the Maine Senate we recognized that fact and crafted a power-sharing arrangement designed to empower not one person or party but every member of the Senate. This unique dynamic has resulted in a heightened level of bipartisanship and common purpose in the Senate that Maine citizens can be proud of."



Our Back Pages

Compiled by JOHN BROWN

10 years ago: Cross-country skiers from Gould Academy and Telstar Regional High School had recently attended a training camp at Mt. Ste. Anne, Quebec.

Utility poles in Bethel village had received holiday decorations courtesy of Tom, Jim and Marnie McGinniss and Sue and Kara O'Donnell.

Works of local artists Gerri Austin, Walter Clark, F. Barrie Freeman, Gail Giarrusso, Sheila Gilbert Head, Shirley Hodsdon, Timothy H. Hodsdon, Jeanie Kaufman, Helen Morton and the late Mary Shaw were on exhibit at Mountain Greenery, West Bethel.

Randall Bennett held a book signing at the Moses Mason House coinciding with distribution of his long-awaited book, "Illustrated History of Bethel."

A special town meeting in West Paris reconsidered action taken at the March annual meeting, which called for the road commissioner to be appointed by the board of selectmen. By a narrow two-vote margin, the town decided to return to an elected road commissioner.

PACE Paramedic Service of Norway was named Maine's EMS Service of the Year by the Mid-Coast EMS Region Council.

Death: Edgar H. Dunham. 20 years ago: Muriel Whitney was designated as Elderly Services Coordinator for the Bethel area.

An extensive restoration of the Middle Intervale Meeting House was underway. Dennis Wheeler was to do the painting in the spring.

Ed Greenleaf was in the title role as Telstar dramatists presented "Harvey."

Gould Academy's Drama Department had begun rehearsals for a February presentation of "Our Town."

A sheep, goats and a burro were needed for the Living Nativity Pageant.

Death: Esther B. Stanley.

30 years ago: Robert Gerardi, superintendent of SAD44 since July of 1970, was named as an Associate Commissioner of Education by the State Board of Education.

Children of the Farrar School of the Dance presented a special program at Hope School, Rumford Community Hospital, Cozy Inn and Sunset Home.

Roy Newton was installed as master of Bethel Lodge 97.

Dexter A. Landers was appointed plant superintendent and supervisor at Ekco Wood Products, Locke Mills.

Births: Emily Louise Cummings, Glenn Mitchell Bangs.

40 years ago: Six structural steel beams were put in place over the railroad tracks, as well as a half-dozen over U.S. Route 2, at the construction site of the new bridge west of the junction of Railroad and Church streets.

Samuel Timberlake of Bethel was elected as the first president of the Western Maine Industrial Management Club.

Samuel L. Sumner, aviation electronics technician second class, USN, was serving with Utility Squadron Eight, operating out of Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico.

Wallace Saunders was elected president of the Bethel Chamber of Commerce.

Births: Darler Ann Kimball, Tracy Ellen Plummer.

Deaths: Irving E. Davis, Elmer E. Saunders, Mildred Crooker, Liawellyn Fogg.

50 years ago: Robert Nichols and Eugene Van Den Kerckhoven were speakers at a meeting of Northwestern Oxford County Fish and Game Protective Association.

Henry Boyker of Bethel and Neil Bishop of Stockton Springs were announced as candidates for the Republican nomination for governor.

The turning on of the holiday street lighting improved the looks of the village.

Owing to recent storms, roads in many sections of Oxford County were in very bad condition.

Birth: Barbara Bane.

Death: Fred J. Farwell.

60 years ago: The Bethel American Legion Brigade was outfitted with uniforms.

The Bethel PTA reported about 130 members.

There were many cases of whooping cough in the area.

Births: Richard Bennett, Donald Angevine, Leroy Brown.

100 years ago: Archibald McMillan of Boston was studying anatomy under A.G. Wiley of Bethel.

Several members of the Y.P.S.C.C. went to Mechanic Falls to receive a banner for doing the most missionary work in 1901.

Dry wood was bringing \$4.50 a cord in Bethel.

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Briefly

Penley to lay off workers

WEST PARIS—The Penley Corporation said Monday it will lay off 39 of its 54 workers this month, and discontinue production in the sawmill and clothespin mill. President Dick Penley blamed the increased costs of insurance, employee benefits and electricity for the move. He said in the past three years his company's consumer product sales have grown, while sales of products from the West Paris plant have declined. He said Penley's will continue to serve product customers from the office and warehouse in West Paris. Products include plastic and wooden clothespins, wooden toothpicks, plastic cutlery, wooden matches and plastic straws. The items come from factories in Mexico, China, Chile and Czech Republic. The wood yard in West Paris will also continue to operate, according to Penley. The Oxford Hills Growth Council is planning a job fair for 9 a.m. to noon on Friday at the West Paris Town Office.

Board discusses budget ideas

BETHEL—The SAD44 Board of Directors Monday began informal discussion regarding the 2002-2003 school budget. Among items mentioned for possible future consideration were some that have been visited — and bypassed — before. They include a gifted-and-talented program, a foreign language program for elementary students, and a pre-kindergarten program. Greenwood director Jeff Harren said given the economic climate and the district's plans for a capital improvements referendum, he would not support adding programs. Andover director Sid Pew countered that until more specifics of the basic budget are known — such as whether salary money may be saved through staff retirements — the board should not assume that adding programs will necessarily increase the budget. Bethel director Elaine Cross suggested revisiting the bus transportation program, to see if it would make sense to return to a single bus run to carry both secondary and elementary students. The district went to double bus runs several years ago. Cross said returning to single runs might save money and provide more opportunity for secondary and elementary staff to work together, because their schedules would coincide. The board will continue budget discussions in January.

Gravel, remands, signs on agenda

BETHEL—The Bethel Planning Board was expected last night (Wednesday) to further consider the site plan application for Savage Gravel Pit and Rock Crushing, as well as a remand of pending appeals for the Community Concepts apartment project and Angevine Park. The Sign Committee was also expected to consider sign applications from Janet Taylor and Samuel Tjalsma of Two Brothers Produce at 192 Main St. The two had erected business signs at their site without first going through the application process. At the committee's Nov. 28 meeting, members gave CEO Don Murphy authority to take the signs down and tell the businesspeople they must come before the committee.

Bus riders can flag "Explorer"

BETHEL—The "Mountain Explorer" public transit bus system carried a total of 275 riders this past weekend, according to Glenn Gordon of ME. The bus makes three stops on Main Street in Bethel, including the Town Office, the Methodist Church and the Clark Street intersection. The bus will also pick up and drop off riders anywhere on Main Street if a rider flags down the bus or otherwise requests it, Gordon said.

Fire/rescue personnel ski free

GREENWOOD—Members of Maine fire departments and rescue services can ski for free at Mt. Abram when the ski area opens Dec. 22. "A national tragedy has given us amazing examples of heroism," said owner Josh Burns. "It should remind us that every day we are all protected by good people who will put their lives on the line in an instant to protect our lives and our families." Eligible skiers should bring appropriate identification, such as a letter from a service director.

Telstar runners compete in nationals

WINCOLN, Neb.—Telstar cross-country runners Heather Zimmerman, Fred Bailey and Anna Willard competed Dec. 9 in the U.S. Track & Field Junior Olympic National Championships. Zimmerman and Bailey ran in the intermediate class (15/16 age group), placing 31st out of 136 and 66 out of 281, respectively. Willard competed in the young women's class (17/18), placing third out of 71 runners. Willard's time placed her fourth nationally, regardless of class.

Winter concert Tuesday

BETHEL—The Telstar Music Department annual Winter Concert will take place Tuesday, Dec. 18, at 7 p.m. in the Helen Berry Auditorium at Telstar. The snow date is Thursday, Dec. 20.

Paris water the best

FREEMONT—The vote was close, but the Paris Utility District has walked away with this year's bragging rights for Maine's best tasting water. The Brewer Water District took the prize for best disinfected water in the Maine Rural Water Association's annual Drinking Water Taste Test last week. Brewer's water then went head-to-head with Paris, winner in the non-disinfected division. Paris, which draws its water from the Little Androscoggin Valley Aquifer, had won its division last year and two times before but had never come away with the top prize. John Barlow, general manager of the PUD, said his district's water does not need to be treated, and the source is one of the most abundant and pure in Maine. Judges look for clarity, aroma and good taste. The taste test was broken down into three separate categories: 19 disinfected samples (with chlorine), five non-disinfected samples (without chlorine) and then a "taste" between the two kinds of water. The Bethel Water District also competed in the "disinfected" category and finished in the middle of the pack, said Don Katlin of BWD. The district won the competition in 1988 and 1993. This year was the first time they had entered in several years.

Internet Incubator for small biz

OXFORD COUNTY—The Androscoggin Valley Council of Governments recently received a \$200,000 grant to implement an Internet Incubator project for small business in Oxford, Franklin, and Androscoggin counties. Any small business seeking to increase sales and exposure by marketing via the Internet may benefit from the program. The incubator will ultimately be made up of 30 businesses working with a technology consultant, over a two-year period, to develop, maintain and update their Web sites. The businesses will receive technical assistance from AVCOG's Maine Small Business Development center. Counselors will help businesses develop a complete marketing plan consisting of traditional marketing strategies, in addition to their web-based marketing tools. A second phase of the program will begin in mid-January. The deadline for applications is Jan. 3. For information, log on to www.avcog.org and go to Business Services to access the Internet Incubator link, or call 783-9186.

Baldacci re-routes mail

WASHINGTON, D.C.—U.S. Rep. John Baldacci (D-Maine) is encouraging constituents to direct U.S. Postal Service mail to his office in Bangor until deliveries resume to the U.S. House of Representatives offices in Washington. Service was stopped Oct. 17 when anthrax was found in mail sent to Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle. Traces of anthrax were subsequently found in the Longworth and Ford House Office Buildings. Until further notice, mail should be sent to Baldacci at P.O. Box 858, 202 Harlow St., Bangor 04402. Baldacci also said the closure of his office in the Longworth Building has resulted in a change to his e-mail address. It is now baldacci@mail.house.gov. E-mail should include the sender's postal mailing address. Baldacci may also be reached by telephone at (202) 682-3704 (in Washington) or in Bangor at 942-6935.

From the Bethel Police Log:

Remember that flight plan

At 2 p.m. on Dec. 6 police were asked by the Federal Aviation Administration to check for an airplane at the airfield that had not closed out its flight plan. The plane was at the field.

Saturday, Dec. 8

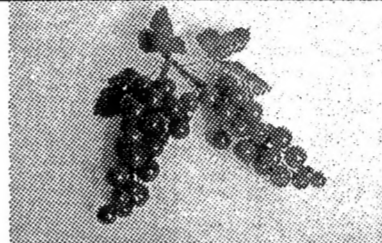
At 7:10 a.m. police stopped a subject on Route 2 for speeding (52 mph in a 35 mph zone). A license check showed his right to operate was suspended. Elwood B. Buzzell Jr., 77, was issued summonses for operating after suspension and speeding.

Sunday, Dec. 9

At 1:20 a.m. police stopped a subject walking on Railroad Street, to check on an arrest warrant. Kevin Bean, 23, of Bethel was arrested on the warrant for failure to pay a fine and for possession of a usable amount of marijuana.

At 2:10 p.m. police stopped a subject on Route 2 for speeding (59 mph in a 35 mph zone). The officer detected an odor of marijuana. A search revealed a used pot pipe, a pill container with a small baggie of marijuana and several roaches. Ross Andrew Kelner, 20, of Nineveh, Ind., was given summonses for speeding, illegal transportation of drugs by a minor and illegal possession of drug paraphernalia.

This report highlights points of interest from the Bethel Police Department log. It lists all cases of adults being arrested or issued a criminal summon, but does not include all reports of other police activity. To reach the Bethel Police Department, call 911 in emergency situations, 824-3437 in non-emergencies.



HOLIDAY DEADLINES

The ad deadline for the 27th edition will be

Friday, December 21st

The Bethel Citizen will be closing at 2:00 pm on Monday, Christmas Eve and CLOSED on Tuesday, Christmas Day.

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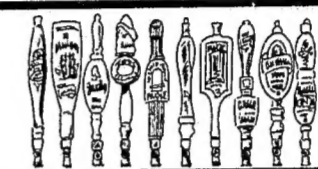
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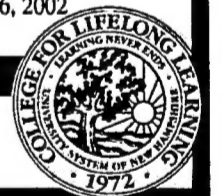
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Song

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That summer, Bartlett and her family went to visit Uncle Henry at his home in New Jersey. That was where he auditioned his song for her, drawing her less-than-enthusiastic review.

Fortunately, she said, her uncle quickly dismissed her opinion. "You're a teenager," she recalls him saying.

He persisted with the song, convincing the chairman of the board of Fox, Spyros Skouras, to fund it. It was recorded by the Harry Simeone Chorale, and became a hit overnight.

Bill Cullen, an NBC disc jockey at the time, couldn't stop playing it the first night, according to newspaper accounts. People called radio stations all over the country to find out about the song.

The song took its place in Christmas tradition. Bartlett (and many of the rest of us) can recall singers like Bing Crosby and Perry Como singing it on television Christmas specials.

It has also been covered by singers as various as Frank Sinatra, Rosemary Clooney, David Bowie, Bob Seeger and RuPaul.

The drummer boy song was Onorati's only hit, but it was all he needed. Before long, he retired to Florida, living off the royalties and serving as the editor of a small newspaper.

Bartlett said every Christmas her uncle would send her a Christmas card with a picture of a drummer boy, and a note with a message to the effect, "Remember when you didn't like the 'rum pum pum pum'?"

Onorati died in 1993. But Bartlett's cousins are still collecting royalties off the song, and all the associated books, cards, and even the television cartoon that still plays.

Even though Bartlett had the wrong call on the song, the memory is still a happy one. "Looking back," she said, "I'm glad I was there to witness it."

The worry beads smiled for 'Little Drummer Boy'

By ALISON ALOISIO

Even though Henry Onorati obviously had an in with 20th Century Fox, it took more than that to get "The Little Drummer Boy" recorded. What made the difference?

Good vibrations from some worry beads.

After Harry Simeone did the arrangement for the song, Onorati took it to the company officials who hand out the money for record promotions.

But the officials were reportedly underwhelmed, saying the three-minute, three-second-long song was too long, and the words were hard to understand.

They also said November was too late to start pushing a Christmas record.

Desperate, Onorati went to Spyros Skouras, chairman of the board of Fox, looking for \$50,000 for the promotion costs.

His timing wasn't good. Fox was about to start filming the \$40-million movie "Cleopatra," with Richard Burton and Elizabeth Taylor. Producer Darryl Zanuck also had a request in for \$20 million for another film. There wasn't much money to spare.

Onorati reportedly told Skouras he was sure the drummer boy song would be a hit.

Skouras said nothing at first, but then reached into his pocket and fingered some faded, blue-wooden worry beads.

This went on for about a minute, said Onorati. Then the chairman gave the OK for the funding.

"The Little Drummer Boy," as part of the album "Sing We Now of Christmas," went on to become one of the best-selling LPs of all time.

Business teaches the value of responsibility, and of having the right tool for the job

By REBECCA ZICARELLI

Running your own business requires hard work and sacrifice, dedication and direction. Just ask Charles Parsons. The 14-year-old Bethel resident has run his own business, Pet Care, since he was 10.

"It's a good experience," Parsons said. "I like it. If you have your own dog, you get the same dog all the time. If you have other people's dogs, you get to experience lots of dogs."

Parsons runs the business himself. He gets up at 5 a.m. to take his charges out for a morning romp and feeding. He makes arrangements with customers. He takes time to play with each dog in his care. He cleans the yard and the mudroom, where the dogs stay when they're not outside. He puts up posters to attract new customers. The only help he gets is from his siblings, and he pays them for it.

The family home is on the Flat Road. There is lots of room for the dogs to romp. "It's a nice environment, out in the country," he said. "There are no cars, no street lights."

Parsons has learned that caring for individual dogs can require ingenuity. "A few weeks ago, it was cold. We had a skinny, short-haired greyhound, so we put a vest and a little hat on him."

Sometimes, he's learned business lessons the hard way.

"I had one scary dog," he said.

"The owner dropped it off while I wasn't here to greet them and get to know the dog. We came home, and the dog was in the mudroom. It wouldn't let us in. We called a friend of the owner's, and she took the dog because I didn't feel comfortable taking care of it anymore."

Since then, Parsons has learned that it's important to get to know each dog with the owner present.

"I make arrangements to meet the dog at our house. I play with the dog, talk to it, and get to know it a little bit — five to ten minutes — while the owner is there. After the owner leaves, I play with the dog for another 20 minutes. By then it knows me."



IT'S A DEAL. Charles Parsons, who runs his own dog-sitting business, Pet Care, agrees to take good care of Siska, a regular customer. Siska's owner, Pat Donovan, likes the deal. "It's comforting to know that your dog is with someone that you know and trust. He does a great job." Parsons, 14, has run the business, a family tradition, since he was 10. He enjoys the opportunity to play with lots of different dogs. His advice for others looking to start their own business? — Be responsible and carry a good, strong pooper-scooper. (Photo by Rebecca Zicarelli)

Owners bring their own food for as long as the dog will stay. Parsons also requires that they bring a leash. Usually, they bring a bed (if not, Parsons has blankets for the dogs to sleep on,) toys, extra dog biscuits, and any medications the dog is on.

While Parsons meets a dog for the first time, he has the dog's owner fill out a form with emergency contact information, date of the last rabies shot, feeding instructions, and any special directions.

Parsons said he has about twenty

families that form the core of his business. Erica Penczer of Bethel is one of his regular customers.

"We've been really pleased with his dog-sitting services," she said. "Our dog loves to go there. When we turn up the driveway, she starts wagging her tail."

Pet Care was started by Parsons' older brother, Thomas, when he was 10. The business undertaking also provided comfort for the family.

"We had a dog at the time," Charles said, "and it died, so we started taking care of other people's dogs."

When a customer called and asked Thomas to take her two dogs for eight days, he began to appreciate the financial benefits of the business. He was about to earn half the price of a new snowboard.

"When Thomas got too busy to take care of the dogs, he handed it down to me," Charles said. "I was glad, because I had helped out in the past. Now that it was my business, I got to do it all myself."

In keeping with family tradition, Charles plans to hand the business on to his youngest brother, Jonathan, in a year or two.

Parsons has some advice to anyone interested in beginning their own business: be responsible; don't leave anything around for the dogs to chew on; use good leashes; keep good records; take notes about each dog; and make sure you have a nice, strong, and sturdy pooper-scooper.

Parsons has learned that different dogs have different personalities. "Some are playful, some are tired. Some just want you to pet them and love them all day. Some miss their owners and cry."

For \$5 a day, Parsons enjoys taking care of each dog.

He uses the income to travel and buy Christmas presents. He's paid his own way to soccer camp and the Maine Conservation School. And he's saving for college. Not surprisingly, he would like to be a veterinarian, he said, or maybe, a dentist.

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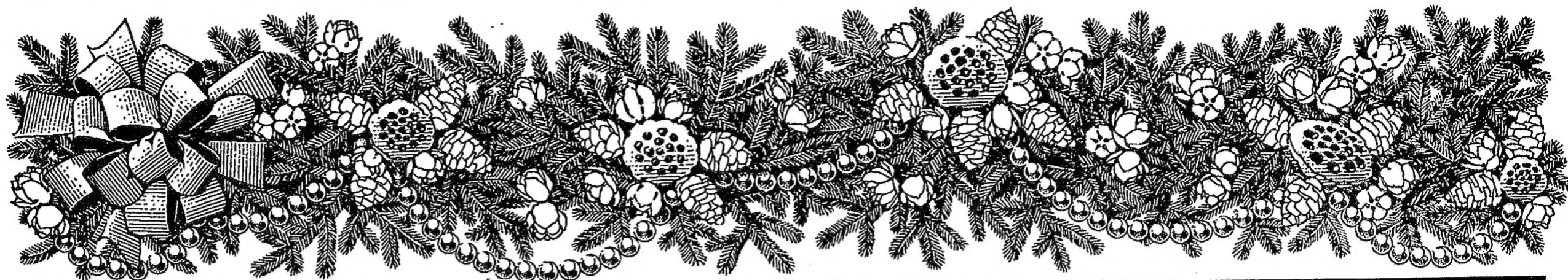
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1/3 c. sour cream
3 T. green onions minced
4 t. white vinegar
1/4 t. salt (optional)
1/8 t. pepper
1/2 t. dill weed (optional)
2 1/2 c. (approx. 12oz.) cooked ham, cubed
1 1/2 c. cooked potatoes, diced
1/2 c. celery, chopped
1 hard-boiled egg, chopped
1 c. cottage cheese (small curd preferred)

In a small bowl combine sour cream, green onions, white vinegar, salt, pepper, and dill weed. Set aside. In a large bowl combine ham, potatoes, celery, egg, and cottage cheese. Fold sour cream mixture into ham mixture. Cover and chill for at least 2 hours to allow time for flavors to blend. Serve on a bed of lettuce.

Chocolate Chip Pudding Cookies*

Try making these with different flavors of pudding.

1 c. butter
1 c. brown sugar
1 t. vanilla
2 eggs
2 1/4 c. flour
1 t. baking soda
large pkg instant coconut pudding
12 oz. chocolate chips
1 c. nuts, chopped

Cream butter and sugar. Add the remaining ingredients and combine well. Drop by heaping tablespoons onto greased baking sheets. Bake at 375 degrees for 8 to 10 minutes.

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Cranberry-Orange Glazed Cornish Hens*

This makes a wonderfully delicious holiday dinner for two.

2 fresh or frozen Rock Cornish game hens
2 T. butter, melted
1/4 c. whole cranberry sauce
2 T. orange marmalade
1 T. lemon juice
1 t. minced dried onion
1 t. cornstarch
1/2 c. mandarin orange sections, drained

Thaw hens, if frozen. Rinse hens and pat dry. Coat inside and outside of hens with melted butter; sprinkle with salt and pepper. Place hens, breast side up, on a rack in a shallow roasting pan. Insert a meat thermometer. Cover loosely with foil. Roast in 375 degree oven for 30 minutes. Uncover and roast about one hour more or until meat thermometer registers 185 degrees. Meanwhile, for sauce, in a one-quart saucepan, combine cranberry sauce, orange marmalade, lemon juice, minced onion, and cornstarch. Cook and stir until thick and bubbly. Cook and stir for 2 more minutes. Remove from heat; stir in orange sections. Brush over hens several times during last 20 minutes of roasting.

Apples and Sweet Potatoes*

A good combination with your ham or turkey dinner.

4 c. sweet potatoes, thinly sliced
4 c. tart apples, thinly sliced
1 T. instant minced onions (or to taste)
1 t. salt
3/4 c. pure maple syrup
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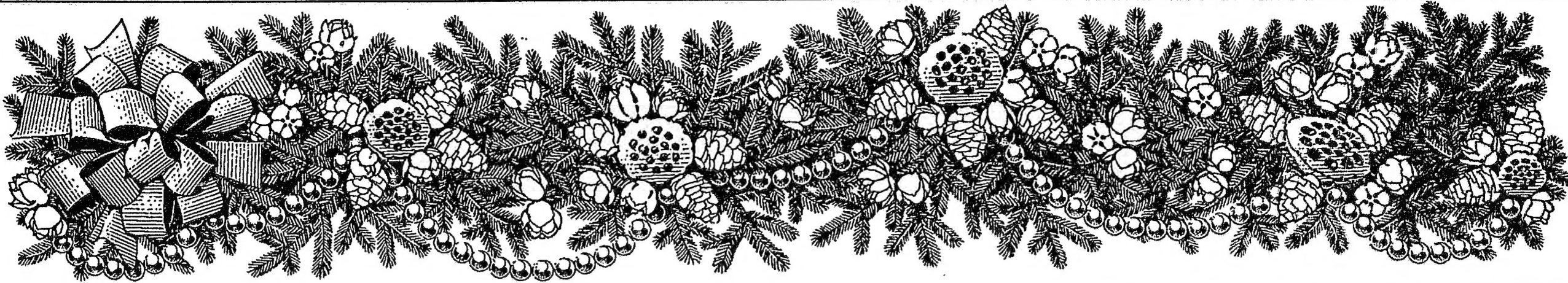
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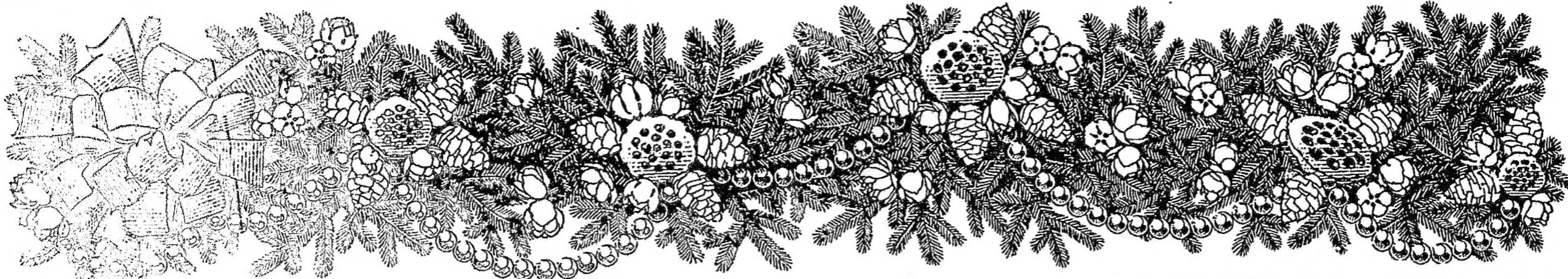
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Bethel



by
Virginia Keniston
Ethelyn Wight
of Evergreen
Valley, Ariz.,
formerly of
Newry, is visit-
ing this week

with Madeline Hunt and until
Christmas will be with her daughter
in Windham.

Barbara Douglass entertained the
local bridge club at her home re-
cently.

The Bethel Area Spinning Group
met for a potluck luncheon on
Wednesday, Dec. 5, at the home of
Dorene Simmons on Streaked
Mountain. They enjoyed a Yankee
Swap.

Al and Lee Barth spent last
weekend in Colorado where they
celebrated grandson Henry's first
birthday.

The annual meeting Charge Con-
ference meeting of the United
Methodist Church will be held Dec.
13 beginning with a fellowship
supper at 5:15 p.m.

Deanne and Jeremy Witt of
Merrimac, N.H., spent the weekend
with Bob and Ginny Keniston. Last
Sunday, both couples attended a
family celebration for Glenn M.
Bangs' 30th birthday at his home.
Glenn received his LPN license the
same day.

Many people are enjoying The
Pathway by the Androscoggin
River. This unusual weather has
been good for the walkers as well
as for those using the skateboard
ramp. It seems good to have these
facilities being enjoyed.

The Gunther family was busy
over the Thanksgiving Holiday.
Sandra was on a Maine Line Tour
to the Mt. Washington Hotel for
dinner, while Scott, Debbie, Ashley
and Chelsie had dinner with Deb-
bie's parents, Frank and Gloria
Burgess in Peru. Eric was in Hurri-
cane Mills, Tenn., having dinner
with Loretta Lynn and family at the
ranch.

Loretta's home has been remod-
eled and will be one of the featured
homes in the February issue of
Southern Living magazine.

Scott, Debbie, Ashley and Chel-
sie Gunther had a late celebration
of Thanksgiving at the home of
Scott's mother, Sandra, on the fol-
lowing Sunday.

It was a busy time, especially for
Eric, as he left for his vacation in
Hawaii the day after Thanksgiving.



GREENWOOD GETS YET ANOTHER DAM; this one, however, they could do without. Beavers were
hard at work last week building a dam on Cubby Swan's property off the Howe Hill Road. They
moved downstream to this location after the town crew took apart the animals' first dam, which was
nearer to the road. Plan B, says town manager Carol Whitman, is to have Lloyd Waterhouse trap the
beavers, with permission from the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. The tree at left is
nearly cut through and ready to fall.
(Photos by Alison Aloisio)

Sunday River Valley



by
Rockie Graham
This will of
necessity be a
short column.
To all the curi-
ous, after over a
month in repair

shops, the Vista was back on the
road but a short time. That was
long enough for me to regain full
use of my legs and hip. I could
walk without too much pain. Now,
alas, the Vista is no more. A yahoo
from Auburn ran into me while I
was stopped at a traffic light, caus-
ing a multi-car collision. I am sore,
but nothing appears to be broken.
The Vista did not fare as well. She
was struck from behind and struck
the other car in the front. Now I
must search seriously for another
vehicle. Oh well.

Chanukah began this Sunday and
I had friends over to light the me-
norah. We ate (sweet) potato pan-
cakes as is tradition, and vegetarian
chili. It was great fun, especially
after my house got a major spiffing
up with new shelves and cabinets.

For today, I am taking it easy,
taking care of business and relaxing
at home. Tomorrow is soon enough
to get into the Grape and truck on
to work. This weekend, I will be
purchasing another vehicle.

That is all for this week. Hope
your week has gone better than
mine. A special thanks to my
friends for all their assistance
through this latest debacle.

East Bethel



by
Nancy Mercer
Alder River
Grange will
have a meeting
on Dec. 14 at
Stan Howe's
home on Broad

Street, with a 6 p.m. soup and a 7
p.m. meeting. This is our Christmas
meeting; please bring canned goods
or dry goods for the food pantry.

Polly Smith attended a Christmas
gathering at Ron and Sally Smith's
home on Dec. 8.

Lucy Nordahl returned home on
Dec. 8 from a week's visit to Ellen
Brandt's home in Groton, Mass.

She helped her grandson, Keaton,
celebrate his birthday while there.

Florence Hastings and Ginny
Gamble visited Mary Alice Ban-
croft on Paris Hill and did some
Christmas shopping recently.

I think I'm ready for snow now.
It would look nicer than this brown.

Trying to get on to Route 26 off
the East Bethel Road is still a job.
The ledge sticks out like a sore
thumb and your nose needs to be in
the middle of 26 before you see any
northbound traffic. Snow will be
shoved up against it and cut the
view down even more. That's pro-
gress.

Have a nice week. God Bless
America.

Hanover



by
Clem Worcester
The Hanover
Planning Board
met last
Wednesday,
Dec. 5, at the
Hanover Town
Office for their regular monthly
meeting. Attending were Chairman

Mike Brown, Roger Robin; Robert
Fortin; Frank Morrison and Robert
Brown, alternate. Also attending
were Marlan and Debbie Dupont,
Pam Puia and Clem Worcester,
board secretary. The board dis-
cussed and examined the Site Plan
Review Application for transferring
the Community Hall building to
business use. Because of a missing
document, the application was de-
layed until the next meeting. In
other business, the board reversed
last month's decision and voted to
pay a bill that had been thought to
be responsibility of the permit ap-
plicant. The board voted to have
the secretary purchase a recorder to
record the meeting minutes.

Brushmarx has completed the
sign for outside of the Town Of-
fice. Mark Beaudoin delivered the
sign, and message board to go with
it, last week. With luck, it will be
installed before the ground freezes.
Still in the works is a sign to place
next to Route 2 to identify the lo-
cation of the Town Office. The signs
are being donated by a group of
citizens known as the River Valley
Voice of Reason, a group that was
formerly very active in the area.

The camp-owner identification

sign, located at the intersection of
Howard Pond Road and South
Shore Road, was removed and put
into winter storage. Mysteriously
appearing in its place is an older
sign from the archives. Whoever
placed it is unknown, but the gossip
at Gordie Howe's Store has named
just about anyone who walks
through the door.

Former Hanover resident, Bri
Ellingwood, gave birth to an eight-
pound, 15-ounce baby girl. Morgan
Lane was born on Oct. 9. Bri and
her family live in Florida.

Have you noticed the Christmas
lights around homes this year?
They sure look bright. Let us know
your favorites and we will report it
later this month.

Mason Township



by
Richard Grover
We've been
admiring those
"icicle lights"
for a couple
years now. This
year, we de-
cided to get a batch of them to



The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

Sharon Bouchard's column is published by special arrangement with the Advertising Department of this newspaper.

"All I want for Christmas is
my two front teeth." Remember
that little Christmas ditty?
Remember writing your own
Christmas wish list back in the
days when Santa was
real and candy bars
were a nickel?

I haven't done
that in quite a few
years, but that doesn't
mean that I don't still
make a mental wish
list. Usually I'm a very sensible
person and my list consists of
very practical items that I actual-
ly stand a chance of receiving.

Well, this year I have
thrown practical right out the
window and said "What the
heck. Why bother to wish for
things that I'm probably going to
get anyway? Why not let my
imagination run wild and wish
for what I'd really like to have
Santa make a reality for me?"

So, here is a sampling of my
mental wish list for this year. At
the top of the list is a car that
doesn't have to go to the garage
just before Christmas every year.
I have enough problems balanc-
ing my finances to accommodate
bill paying and holiday shop-
ping. Why do I always have a
car that needs a repair job just
when I think I have the finances
under control? What may start
out as a routine oil change may
very well turn into an engine
rebuilding. This year it was
tires. You'd think I had Scrooge
for a mechanic.

I wish that all the items that
my children have borrowed
would be returned to me in
usable condition. On so many
occasions when one child or the
other has visited they have found
something that they needed to
borrow. There are mixing
bowls, rolling pins, tools, cook-

books, towels, you name it. The
kids could even wrap these items
and put them under the tree. It's
been so long since I seen some
of this stuff it would all seem
new to me.



At the top of the list is a car
that doesn't
have to go to the garage
just before
Christmas
every year.
I wish for
plastic wrap
that I could
find the end
of the roll on.
Doesn't it just
drive you
crazy to try to pull off a piece of
plastic wrap only to have to
spend an hour trying to find the
beginning of the roll? Finding
the opening of most garbage
bags can be a challenge and the
plastic bags in the produce
department at the super market
are really annoying. They can
put a man on the moon, they can
repair a telescope in space, they
can make computers that talk to
you, but no one can make plastic
wrap that doesn't cling.

I wish for motorists that
would stop and let me cross the
street especially when it is rain-
ing like cats and dogs. It's not
as if they don't see me, some of
them even smile at me as they
pass me by in their warm dry
cars. What's the thought process
that goes on here? Don't they
have the 3 1/2 seconds it would
take to stop and let me cross? Is
there s perverse enjoyment in
seeing a helpless fat person
standing on the side of the road
getting drenched? I just don't
understand it.

I wish for men that would
admit when they're wrong.
Now, here's a wish that's pretty
unrealistic. I'm not saying that
men are wrong any more often
than women though they proba-
bly are. At least when a woman
is wrong she will just say so.
I've been wrong before; not very
often, but when I am I take the

heat. My husband, on the other
hand, will steadfastly stand by
his error, saying I'm the one
who must have given him the
erroneous information or he'll
change the subject all together.
Never will I hear, "Gee Honey, I
was wrong and you were right."
That would be really nice to hear
just once.

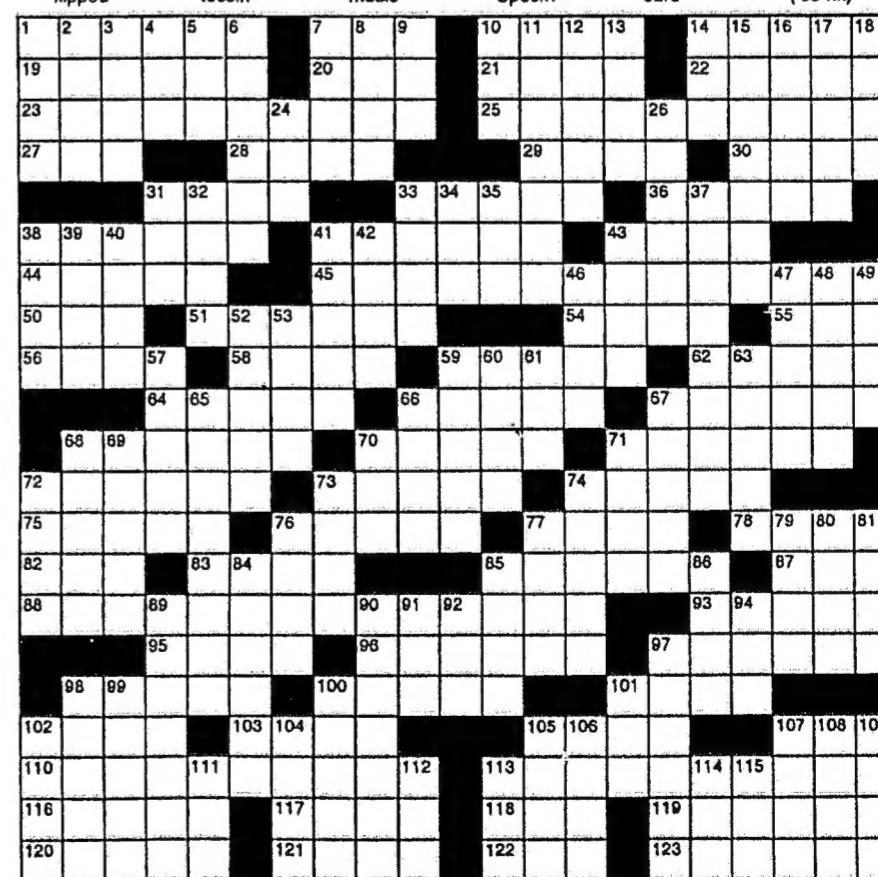
I wish the items I put on
Christmas lay-away would be on
sale when I buy them, not the
day after I pick up the lay-away.
It never fails, no matter how
cautiously I shop or how well I
read advertising flyers looking
for the best sales, whatever I put
on lay-away will go on sale
shortly after I pay off the lay-
away. This year it was a matter
of just a few hours. On the way
out to the car with my lay-away
purchases I was handed a flyer
announcing a storewide 20% off
sale starting at 6 p.m. that day.
It was then 3 p.m.!

I really don't expect to have
very many of my Christmas
wishes fulfilled, but it is a nice
fantasy. I know if Santa had the
power he would do what he
could. I'm sure that he too
would like to see labels that
could easily be removed from tin
cans for recycling or telephones
that don't ring at the most inop-
ortune times. But you have to
give the old fat guy a break,
after all, he's only human.

The way I see it we all have
our Christmas wishes. Some are
realistic, some are pie-in-the-sky.
I'm sure that most of us wish for
good health and prosperity. And
I think all of us share the wish of
peace on earth, good will
towards all and that is one wish
that we can all work on together
to make a reality.

Super Crossword

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| 38 Thick stick | 77 Competitors | 131 Arid area | 132 Arid area | 71 Mottled | 71 Mottled | 108 "Moon- |
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| 43 Blind part | 82 — Tin Tin | 133 Arid area | 134 Arid area | 73 — fide | 73 — fide | 110 Utter |
| 44 See 11 | 83 Paradise | 134 Arid area | 135 Arid area | 74 Complains | 74 Complains | 112 Blow away |
| 45 Part 2 of remark | 85 Merchant | 135 Arid area | 136 Arid area | 75 Big rig | 75 Big rig | 113 Drill |
| 60 I may get flipped | 87 Cal. page | 136 Arid area | 137 Arid area | 76 Lite | 76 Lite | 114 Compass |
| | 88 Part 4 of remark | 137 Arid area | 138 Arid area | 77 Lite | 77 Lite | 115 Not |
| | 93 Over | 138 Arid area | 139 Arid area | 78 Coll. | 78 Coll. | 116 Unusual |
| | 95 Jal — | 139 Arid area | 140 Arid area | 79 Coll. | 79 Coll. | (65 hit) |
| | 96 Sounds the tocsin | 140 Arid area | 141 Arid area | 80 Roof part | 80 Roof part | |
| | | 141 Arid area | 142 Arid area | 81 Playing | 81 Playing | |
| | | 142 Arid area | 143 Arid area | 82 Travel with | 82 Travel with | |
| | | 143 Arid area | 144 Arid area | 83 Spook? | 83 Spook? | |



decorate our entire deck and porch railings for our contribution to Christmas decorations.

When we got the lights home, in boxes of 300 lights, I think, I took a package of white wires and tiny light bulbs out of the boxes, which came from China. Well, those suckers must be a Communist plot to totally frustrate us "Yankee capitalists." There were several white twist-tie wires to undo, and then a jumble of twisted little white wires and light bulbs. When I tried to unravel the main carrier wire, the little offshoot wires with the bulbs on them were bent and intertwined, one to the next one or two wires. Then, after I got the wires fairly well untangled, I tried stringing and stapling the main line to the top of the railing. This worked okay, but the offshoot lines had been folded up so long they refused to hang down in nice straight lines. Instead, every one of them twisted and crinkled up, back into their packaged shape; this left a jumble of lights about six inches wide. No nice straight icicles.

Now, days later, the "icicle" lines still resist being straightened; they just keep kinking back up. Now I understand why so many people just leave them up year 'round, once they get them looking good — however they do that.

In other news, Mona and I decided to spend some more of our kids' inheritance. We went to Norway Savings Bank to apply for a "home equity loan" to finance a new, small camper. Loan approval requires a title search, among other things. Now, our Mason property is actually three individual plots of land: one containing the house and another sporting a 50-year-old henhouse, about 10 feet square. In the course of the title search, the bank lawyer found that my previous mortgage loan from Northeast Bank (quite a few thousand dollars) had been tied to the plot containing the henhouse. Had I known that, I could have left the bank a very expensive henhouse.

Upton



by Eleanor LeComte

There are only twelve days left till Christmas. The rush is on. Last Sunday was Christmas

Tree day in Upton. The woods were crawling with tree hunters bent on finding the perfect tree. The Casey family was no excep-



NOW ALL THEY NEED IS SNOW
The Telstar high and middle school cross-country ski teams held a bottle drive Saturday at the SAD44 bus garage to raise money for ski equipment. Shown are (from left): Dan Kiesel, coach Gary Wight, Will Carver, Mallory Brown, Heather Gionet, Megan Bailey, Andy Aloisio and Joel Doyon.
(Photo by Aloisio)

tion. They found a beauty and also brought one down to me. I wouldn't call it a "Charlie Brown Tree," because Charlie's was far better than this one. Joyce Kilmer wrote in his poem that "only God could make a tree," but even the almighty would deny that he made this one.

As you drive up Route 26 and enter Upton, you will observe a glow in the night sky. No, it is not a comet or a UFO. It is the Christmas lights at Earl and Lucille Lagesse's home. It is very beautiful and must have taken many hours of hard work to install all those lights. They deserve a big round of applause for this display of their Christmas spirit, as do all the others who have decorated our little town.

Saturday evening, Dec. 15, at 6:30 p.m. the annual children's Christmas Party will be held at the Ladies Aid Building. A good time, with gifts, games and carols will take place. The senior citizen baskets will also be distributed at the party. Others will be delivered to homes by Ladies Aid volunteers. It is just a small-town Christmas Party, but it is fondly remembered each year by many residents and former residents of Upton.

Simonne Lavallec should be home from the hospital for the

Christmas Party. We will need her help to keep us going in the right direction. She is always right on the job for party preparations.

Monday morning, the temperature dropped to 10 above zero. A skim of ice again formed on the coves of the lake. We have now had four "ice-outs." A boat came down the lake breaking ice into the public landing all the way. Looked like a Coast Guard Icebreaker?

The smattering of snow over the weekend gave some hope of a white Christmas.

Visitors in town were scarce this weekend, since everyone was "treering" or shopping.

The prolonged Indian Summer brought spring-like conditions to gardens that are usually buried in snow or deep in frost. On December the 8th, Evelyn Kenney had primroses and pansies in full bloom. I have a few yellow primroses, also. The snowshoe hares have changed to white, but the woods are green and brown. They must have some harrowing experiences being so visible. The owls, foxes and coyotes are having no trouble spotting them.

Wilma Rector called to tell me that a couple of weeks ago she had a Solitary Vireo at her home on East "B" Hill. This unusual fall has

certainly affected lots of migratory birds. This bird is found in coniferous and hardwood forests and usually feeds on beetles and caterpillars. They usually shun the habitats of man except during migration when it may visit gardens or city parks. It is quite a tame bird; some may call it fearless. It doesn't necessarily leave the nest when man approaches. It may be stroked and lifted off the nest by man, but returns to the nest unruffled. It may develop enough confidence to eat seeds from the hand. This bird is slate to blue gray with white under parts. It has white spectacles. Cowbirds often lay eggs in her nest but vireos thwart the parasite as she covers them up and hatches her own eggs. The vireo winters from South Carolina to Nicaragua or Cuba. Smart bird. We are running out of "Birds of the Week," and I thank Wilma for telling us about the vireo.

The Strattons have lost several poplars and birches on Birch Point to a beaver-logging job. This is not endearing the furry fellows to the land owners. The beavers are seen swimming up the lake floating a tree to New Hampshire. Dam control is always a problem on Lake Umbagog. If you don't believe me, call Florida Light and Power who

have problems of their own in controlling the water on the lake. It is too bad the beavers don't harvest the balsam firs. Think of the Christmas possibilities.

Please call me, e-mail me, or put a note in the mailbox if you have some family news for us. This is your column. It is not about birds and animals. It's about neighbors, friends, residents and non-residents. I would like to print the activities that your children are into. They are always welcome. Thanks.

North Newry



by Gil Seeley

"The year's in the wane; there is nothing adorning; the night has no eve and the day has

no morning; cold winter gives warning."

I received a letter from Sis Post some time in late October. I was so glad to hear from her. She said she enjoyed that "farewell lunch" we had before she left. She says she likes where she is now living. The people are very friendly, helpful and kind. I sure miss her. When she

lived here in Newry, she always had a little garden and she used to tell me to come and pick any vegetables I wanted. I know a lot of people around here also miss her. We wish her a very Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year and her birthday is Jan. 7. Many, many more years to you Sis. If anyone wants to write or send her a card, her address is Sis Post, 113 185 Pine Haven Shores Road, Shelburne, VT 05482.

ANDOVER

The Andover First Congregational Church will present an afternoon of seasonal song on Sunday, Dec. 23 at 2 p.m. Soprano Maria Cornwell will perform selections from Handel's "Messiah," Schubert's "Ave Maria" and other classical favorites. An audience carol sing will conclude the event. A freewill offering will be taken to benefit David Sithole, a church-sponsored college student.

Maria Cornwell is a freshman at the University of Missouri, Columbia where she studies vocal performance. She is a member of the Show Me Opera where she has performed as Gretel in scenes from Engelbert Humperdinck's "Hansel and Gretel." A resident of Andover, Maria has won several prizes in Bethel's annual Mountain Jam. She has presented two well-received solo recitals at the Andover Church. Maria's most recent accomplishment is selection as a soloist in the Columbia Civic Orchestra's 2001 production of Handel's "Messiah."

David Sithole, a native of Zimbabwe, has traveled to the United States under the sponsorship of the United Church of Christ to receive an American education. He is a graduate of North Yarmouth Academy and is now a senior at the University of Maine at Farmington. He works 20 hours a week to support himself and depends on area churches for the remainder of his living expenses. Upon graduation, he plans to return to Zimbabwe and use his education for the benefit of his country.

Greenwood City



by Colista Morgan

I was given a surprise one evening this week. I was taken for a ride to see the beautiful lights in various places. We went through the town of Oxford, down Allen Hill, up through South

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Paris, up old Route 26 (by Paris Hill) and back to Norway, up Pleasant Street, down Crockett Ridge, then back around to Greenwood.

What beautiful scenes we saw. There were lights of every color, and Christmas everywhere.

Dale and Marcia Mills, who live on North Haven Island, came to see me over the weekend.

Artland and Alfreda Rogers of Norway visited me this week. We talked about our school days together.

Albany



by Sheila Dyke
Hello from Albany Township. Another quiet week here in the neighborhood.

The Albany Youth Group (the youngest group) will start their meetings for the month of December at 5 p.m. on Fridays instead of 4:30. Their meeting will overlap with the older kids' as all of the children will be rehearsing Christmas songs to sing at church. There are also tentative plans for the children to go out caroling, but no definitive dates have been set as of yet.

Bible Study was held at the home of Fernand and Holle Corriveau on Thursday, and this went well (as usual). It's great to see so many of the Youth Group kids there. The study is held every Thursday at Fernand and Holle's starting at 6:30 p.m. with Pastor Eddie Gammon.

Sunday School starts at 9 a.m., with services following at 9:30. As always, childcare is provided during services. Usually, one of the older kids volunteers to watch the younger ones during services, and we parents really appreciate this.

Thanks to all who took advantage of the fresh-baked goods sale two weekends ago. A special thank you to the Bethel Foodliner for lending out the space. The money raised from this sale will benefit the Youth Group.

Much of the neighborhood gathered together recently to share in a potluck dinner and the spirit of giving. Everyone brought gifts, and after each gift was opened, it was quite often passed on to someone who wanted it more. What a fun and unusual way of gift giving.

We're putting a call out to our Albany neighbors asking for any news that they feel worthwhile to be included in this column to please feel free to let us know. Thanks.

East Stoneham



by Eleanor Nelson
Hi readers. I forgot to tell you last week about the play, "Wizard of Oz," that Fryeburg

Academy put on. I do enjoy the plays they do. The kids do an excellent job. They work real hard on rehearsals and it pays off. They had a good audience at all the shows. I

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went out with Dale and Kitty, as grandson Matthew was in it as the Wizard. He loves acting, as they all do. They even had a real live little dog as "Toto," and he was such a good little dog on stage throughout the play. The ones that played Dorothy, the Tin Man, the Scarecrow and the Lion, also the Munchkins, the flying monkeys, crows, trees and Winkees all did a wonderful performance. Their director, Greg Strom, and parents should be very proud of them. It was a real enjoyable evening.

Now, this past week on Dec. 1, I had another interesting and enjoyable and proud evening when grandson Matthew was recipient of the Eagle Badge of the Boy Scouts of America Eagle Court of Honor at the Lovell United Church of Christ. He joined the Cub Scout Pack 155 in 1989 and worked his way up to the present time to Eagle Scout rank. He has earned many merit badges and many achievements as a scout. The ceremony was opened by Vickie Royer, a longtime scout leader and master of ceremonies, invocation by the Rev. Mark Fuller and presentation of the colors by Troop 155 Color Guard. Other awards and presentations were made before the closing ceremonies.

Senator Norman Ferguson was present and spoke a few words of congratulations to Matthew from himself and the Legislature and from those who couldn't be there in person.

Matthew's parents, Dale and Kitty Nelson, were also recognized when the Eagle Badge was presented and they, too, received pins in his honor. Matt gave a personal statement of thanks to those who had helped him to achieve this honor and thanked those present who made this a memorable day. I like the saying about the Oyster and the Eagle, which follows:

The Oyster and the Eagle — When God made the oyster, he guaranteed him social security. He built the oyster a house — a shell to protect him from his enemies. When hungry, the oyster simply opens his shell and the food rushes in. But when God made the eagle, he said, "The blue sky is the limit. Go and build your own house." And the eagle went and built his house upon the highest mountain peak where storms threatened him every day. For food, he must fly through miles of rain and snow and wind. The eagle then — not the oyster — is the symbol of the United States of America, and scouting's highest award.

Following the program, nice refreshments were offered at the reception in the vestry honoring the new Eagle Scout.

The North Waterford Friendly Senior Citizens met at Market Square Restaurant in South Paris on Wednesday, Dec. 5, for meeting, lunch and exchange of presents. There were 24 members pre-

Bryant Pond



by Alice Hoyt
Remember to check out the Whitman Memorial Library. They have beautiful photography of lighthouses by Linda, Paul and Toni Cary. Until Dec. 21, they will have crafts and baked goods available. For some economical Christmas shopping or stocking stuffers, check them out. Refreshments are available on Fridays.

Patch the Pirate Club meets each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at the Baptist Church, same time as prayer meeting. Sunday services are Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship at 9:15 a.m., morning worship at 10:30 a.m., Youth Group at 4:30 p.m., choir practice at 5 p.m. and evening service at 6 p.m. Looking ahead, Dec. 15 is the Christmas Program practice at 2 p.m. and also on Dec. 21 at 6 p.m. On Dec. 23 the Christmas program is during the evening service. On Dec. 24 there will be Christmas Eve caroling with time for testimonies and fellowship afterward. There will be a New Year's Open House at Steve and Beth Hoover's on Dec. 31.

Maggie and Joseph Hoyt visited their dad, James Hoyt, this weekend. Their grandparents, Alice and Ken Hoyt, Beatrice Farnum and Mary Beth Hoover joined them for lunch at their home in Norway to celebrate Maggie's 11th birthday. Franklin Grange 124 Bryant Pond has had the lower and upper hallway painted, a new ceiling in the upper hallway and new thermal vinyl windows. Robert Evans did the ceiling and painting through the kindness of Evelyn T. Bean for the Grange. The upstairs hall looks very nice now. Thanks to all who have helped with money-raising projects. Thanks to Evelyn for her generous gift to the Grange.

At the annual meeting of the Tri-Town Rescue, the Grace Archer Memorial Fund award was pre-

sent. Secretary Marge Nihan gave her report, which was accepted as read, and Marjorie Kimball gave the treasurer's report. Everyone enjoyed the meal and get-together. There was a Santa jar filled with gumdrops, which everyone had to guess how many. Dolly McDonald guessed 217, which was the nearest number. The next meeting will be in April, first Wednesday, at the North Waterford Church. They all wished each other to have a good and healthy winter.

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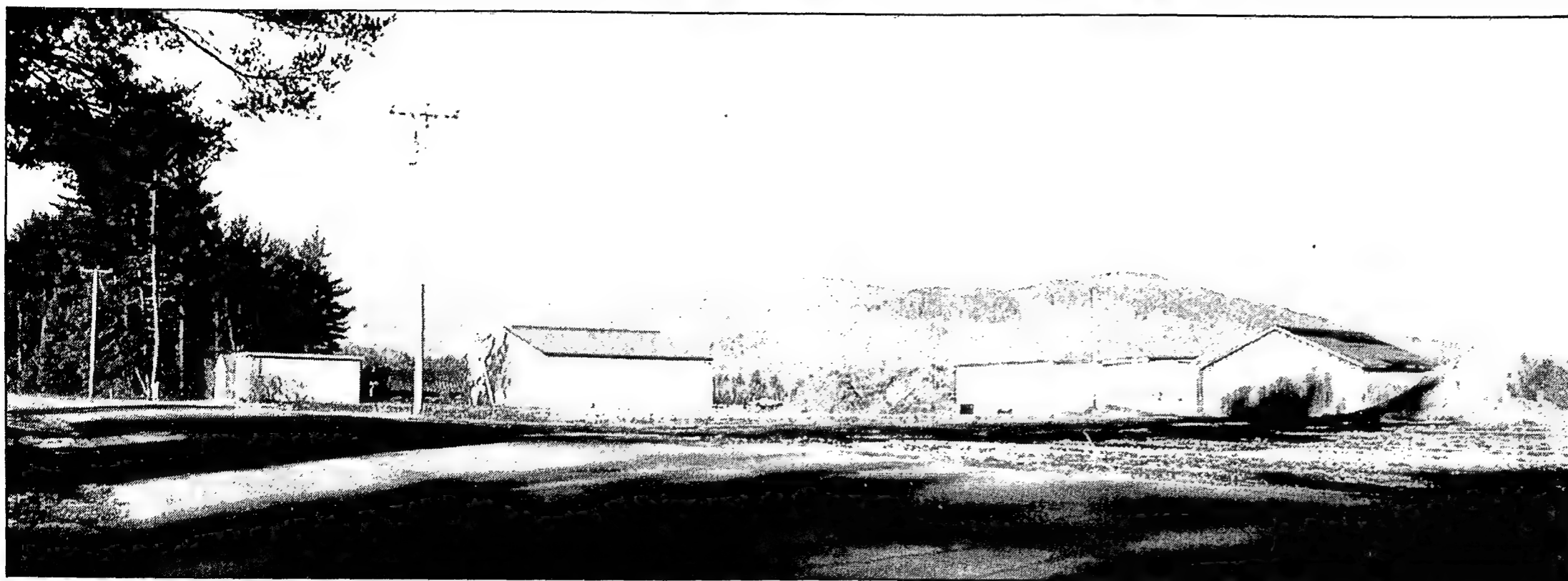
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sented to Annella Burnham. The outstanding service award for Year 2001 went to Evelyn T. Bean. A supper preceded the meeting. In charge were Viola, Peggy and Annella. Norman St. Pierre presided over the meeting.

The Woodstock Extension will meet at the home of Alice Hoyt on Wednesday, Dec. 19, for a Christmas party. Instead of exchange of gifts, each one will bring something for the food pantry. There will be a tasting party.

Barbara and Michael Hathaway and Brian and Linda Stowell attended, on Dec. 6, the swearing-in for Richard Bennett as president of

the Maine Senate in Augusta.

Paul Billings also attended the swearing-in for Richard Bennett on Dec. 6 in Augusta.

Exhibits in the Historical Society Museum are now almost perfectly balanced. The museum has a fine collection of furniture. Offerings of glass and china are also especially good. And Woodstock memorabilia is evident everywhere. Elsie Bonney is the very capable president of the society and her cousin, Larry Billings, is curator.

The society would like to increase its membership and hopes more people will join. Curator Larry says he is very proud of the

museum's development over the past few years and he has done all he can to improve it. He intends to be more selective about what he donates now. The building is quite full. He would like to add to its research library if he can.

The curator attended the West Paris Universalist Church to acknowledge the spiritual significance of Christmas. He also wants to make mention of the Locke Mills Union Church, whose members have been very gracious when he goes there. He has been fortunate to find two area churches that are so welcoming so far.

South Woodstock



by
Andrea Wing

What nice weather we've been enjoying. I am sorry for ski areas that depend on the snow for their business.

Sympathy goes out to the family and many friends of Doris and Bill Slattery, who died within a few days of each other. They were a well-known couple in this area.

Joan Poland, my sister-in-law, went with me to get groceries last

Sunday, as I'm still laid up with my back. She is always around when I need someone. Thanks, Joan.

Ricky Mack got a deer. I had a nice chat with Charlene Cash at the postoffice recently. Charlene lives quite near me, but we never get to visit each other. Charlene and Harry are all decorated for Christmas at their home. It looks real nice.

Congratulations to Dana Dillingham on being honored as one of the Oxford County Sheriff's Department employees of the year. Dana is the son of Hazel D. Cole of Greenwood and Gordon Dillingham of South Woodstock.

As I was sitting at my table and looking out the window one early morning, a car exiting Andrews Road hit a car that was traveling north on Route 26. The Tri-Town

Rescue Unit was prompt, as always, and Woodstock Fire Department came and did a complete cleanup of the debris from the accident. There were only minor injuries. A small child was in one of the cars.

Quote of the Week: "I've learned that wrong numbers are never busy."

West Paris



by
Bertha DeHaas

Well folks, Mother Nature sure has her seasons confused this year, doesn't she? It truly has felt more like late summer

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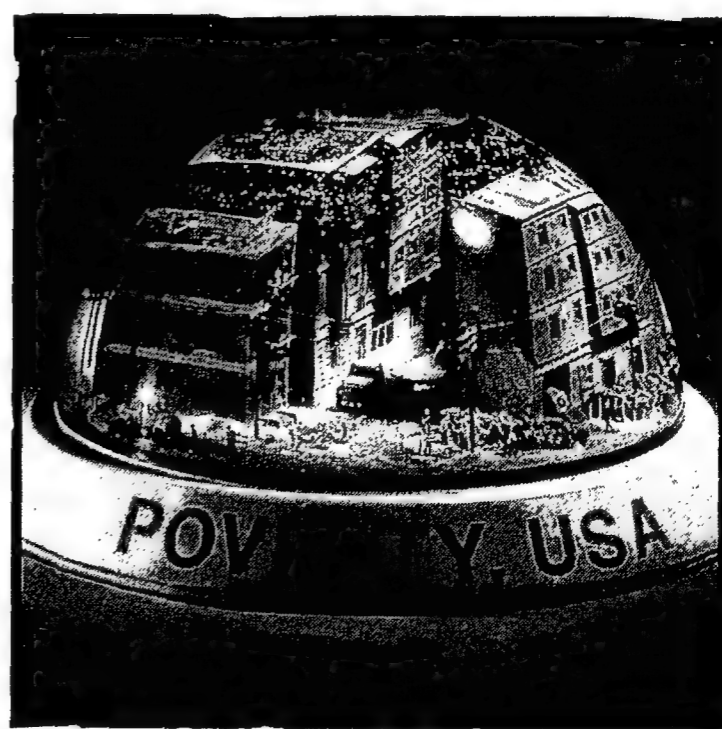
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or early fall this past week with up to 62 to 68 degrees. It has given us a bit more time to accomplish our preparations for winter. Probably it will be a doozy when winter really arrives, with a vengeance, blizzards, sleet and ice and the cold old north wind blowing down our necks and around the corners of our houses — brrrrr. Keep close watch off your chimneys.

As more and more people become unemployed due to closings of companies, and Christmas and winter weather approaches, we all need to "be our brother or sister's keeper." With prices going up on most everything — food, medication, heat and other sundries, it leaves many of us making really tough choices. Do we heat the house, get the medication we are supposed to take, pay bills or eat? These are not nice choices to have to make. This dilemma usually hits the elderly or the young, inexperienced couples with small children, but now seems to be hitting people of all ages. Do you have an elderly neighbor who is all alone? Share a meal or two. It will make you both feel good. Baking bread, muffins, cookies or other goodies? Perhaps you are making casseroles, meat loaves or pies for the freezer? Try doubling your recipe and take some to a family that you know is in financial jeopardy. They will have a few good meals (maybe their only ones) and you will know that in this small way you have helped. Does someone you know still have unsplit or sawed wood? Maybe their health has kept them from preparing it and putting it under cover. This would make a nice Saturday afternoon project for you and your family, as an early Christmas present, if you will. It might be the difference between someone being warm this winter, or not. As snow arrives, a good teenage helper's project is to shovel someone's driveway, without being asked to be paid for it.

If you know someone, alone and lonely, invite them to your home for a cup of Christmas tea and cookies or perhaps for Christmas dinner. It can make a world of difference to know that someone cares, even a little bit. It could save a life.

From the Bethel Rotary Club

This week, Rotary visited Sunday River Ski Resort and its Snowflake Factory. Bill Brown briefed the group on snowmaking and the improvements to such systems. Sunday River has invested in the tall tower guns, which have increased efficiency. Snowmaking combines air and water and effective snow-making temperatures range between 18 to 22 degrees Fahrenheit. The snowmaking system is computerized working with monitors and hydrant activation. Much of the improvements in the industry, in fact, have been in computer technology. After the presentation, Bill accompanied those interested on a tour of the Snowflake Factory. Thank you to the Foggy Goggle for a wonderful breakfast and thanks to Sunday River, and Bill Brown as hosts.

It's still not too late to make a contribution to the Christmas for Children campaign. Contributions can be sent to: Christmas for Children Program, 844 Mayville Road,

Bethel, ME 04217. You'll see Rotary elves ringing the bell for this program Dec. 15 and 22 in front of the Bethel Foodliner.

Calendar items: Dec. 15 and 22, Bell Ringing in front of Bethel Foodliner; Dec. 23, Living Nativity.

Upcoming programs include Club Assembly and DARE. Rotary will meet back at the Bethel Inn starting Tuesday, Dec. 18. There will be a break for the holidays, with meetings commencing again in the new year on Tuesday, Jan. 8.

From the Bethel Historical Society's Regional History Center

The smell of hot mull cider, the sound of harp strings wafting throughout the historic house, bright fires within the brick hearths, decorated mantle pieces laden with fruit and boughs, conversation filled with Christmas cheer while munching on cookies and other holiday treats — these were some of the elements of the human experience at the annual "Christmas with the Masons" held at the Bethel Historical Society's Dr. Moses Mason House on Thursday evening, Dec. 6. A good crowd enjoyed this experience and walked next door to the Robinson House to view the exhibits and the gingerbread contest. Host and hostesses for the evening were Allan Marcotte, Grace McKivergan, Helen Morton, Sarah Tucker, and Lorrie Hoeh. Much appreciation is expressed to all who helped make this annual event such a success.

Following the museum experience, there was a slide show of historic photographs followed by a reception honoring volunteers who helped with society programs and projects during 2001. Among those honored were Alan and June Abbott, Avery Angevine, Lee Barth, Dot Bartlett, Bessie Bennett, Hi and Mary Lou Berry, Gwyneth and Kenneth Bohr, Colleen Boyd, Richard Carter, Adaline Clough, Virginia Cole, Al and Jackie Cressy, Omar Crothers, Amy Davis, Mary Dooen, Barbara Douglass, Grace Douglass, Brenda Dyer, Barbara Freeman, Ginny Gamble, Caroline Gould, Jerry Greenwell, Colwyn and Judy Haskell, Annie Hastings, Betty Ann Hastings, Walter and Carol Hatch, Susan Herlihy, Lorrie and Dick Hoeh, Barbara Honkala, Jane Hosterman, Ginny Hutchins, Millie Jackson, Becky Kendall, Ginny Keniston, Mary Keniston, Alden and Mable Keniston, Lois Kilroy, Barbara Lapham, Jim Lowe, Arlene Lowell, Blake MacKay, Allan Marcotte, Marna McGuinniss, Grace and David McKivergan, Nancy Mercer, Henry Mercier, Helen Morton, Danna and George Nickerson, Jack and Lucy Nordahl, Ted Orino, Tineke Ouwinga, Jean Owen, Bud and Mary Paine, Bob Parente, Persis Post, Vicki Rackliffe, Betty Robertson, Nancy Schlieper, Lucia Schwarz, Diane Smith, Warren Stearns, Marjorie Stockford, Jan Stowell, Marilyn Swan, Connie Thurston, Margaret Joy Tibbetts, Jan Todd, Sarah Tucker, Mary Valentine, Jackie Van Leuven, Dean and Priscella Walker, Ginny Walker, Tom Wheeler, Bill and Sylvia Wight,

Ruth Wight, Maxine Wright, Jane Young, and Robin Zinchuk. Much appreciation is expressed to all of the above for their fine community spirit. President Al Barth, who made brief remarks on the importance of volunteerism to the society's operations and programming, presented certificates of appreciation and a special Bethel Historical Society pencil to the honorees.

The fourth annual New Year's Bethel will be held on Dec. 31. Venues include Henry Bascomb, Maine humorist; Worthley and Clark, Scottish music; Rowe by Rowe, lively balladeers; Inca Son, Peruvian and Latin American music; Gray-Caybe Family, classical, folk, and original music; and State Street Jazz, New Orleans jazz. There will also be a lighted vehicle parade, community bonfire, food court and fireworks. Further information may be obtained by calling the society office at 824-2908 or (800) 824-2910. Sponsors include the Bethel Animal Hospital, Bethel Citizen, Bethel Station Chiropractic, Penny Bohac-Cardello, Kenneth and Gwyneth Bohr, Brooks Bro., Inc., Edward and Cynthia Bush, Omar D. Crothers III, Delphi Group, Finish Line Pizza, Richard and Lorrie Hoeh, Stan Howe, Rebecca Kendall, Key Bank National Association, Seabury and Sharon Lyon, Mahosuc Realty, Inc., Maine Line Products, Maine Press, E. Marna McGuinniss, George and Danna Nickerson, Jack and Lucy Nordahl, Norway Savings Bank, Pooh Corner Farm and Greenhouse, Rivendell House, Kent and Mary Rosberg, Serenity Corners, Inc., Dexter and Jan Stowell, Sunday River Inn and Cross Country Center, Sunday River Skiway Corp., Swallow Song Farm, Sally and Dick Taylor, Margaret Joy Tibbetts, Nan and Sam Timberlake, S. Timberlake Co., The Village Sampler, Douglas and Robin Zinchuk. Much appreciation is expressed to all of the above for their support of this fine community tradition.

Over twelve hundred members strong, the Bethel Historical Society, founded in 1966, is western Maine's largest and most comprehensive full-time historical agency, dedicated to collecting, preserving and interpreting the regional past for present and future generations. During the past thirty-five years, the society's activities have included lectures, exhibits, special events, heritage festivals, workshops, conferences, school and educational programs, and publications.

School Sports

High School Boys' Varsity Basketball

Mountain Valley 79, Telstar 63; Dec. 11—Telstar's Wade Osgood scored 18 points in a loss to Mt. Valley. Matt Newell and Kaleb Durgin each had nine points. Kaleb Durgin, Kinsey Durgin, Robie Wentworth and Osgood each had three-pointers. Newell had nine rebounds.

Winthrop 81, Telstar 58; Dec. 8—Telstar's Kinsey Durgin scored 15 points and Kaleb Durgin and Matt Newell 12 each in a loss to Winthrop. Other scorers: Wade Osgood (8); Gavin Palmer (4); Eli Young (3); Jordi Walker (3); Mike Gionet (1). Walker had a three-point shot.

High School Boys' J.V. Basketball

Winthrop 71, Telstar 68; Dec. 8—Telstar's Terry Collins had 19 points and Josh Longway and Kurt Wight 17 each in a loss to Winthrop. The Rebels went 24 for 31 (77 percent) from the free throw line. "We have a young team who will mature quickly in games like this," said coach David Berry. "It was close throughout, with Josh Longway getting a good shot off at the end of the game for the tie, but it went off the rim."

High School Girls' Varsity Basketball

Mt. Valley 50, Telstar 21; Dec. 10—Telstar's Lauren Hart scored seven points in a loss to Mt. Valley. Other scorers: Krystal Gould (5); Anna Willard (3); Jennie Cox (3); Rebecca Swan (2); Mariah Seames (1). Gould had a three-pointer.

Winthrop 49, Telstar 30; Dec. 7—Telstar's Mariah Seames scored 10 points for the Rebels in a loss to Winthrop.

TMS Girls' Varsity Basketball

Telstar 40, Jay 37, Dec. 5—Telstar's Chea Davis and Lindsay Hart each scored 10 points in a win over Jay. "Great team play in the fourth quarter run helped us go over the top," said coach Tim O'Connor.

SCHOOL LUNCHES: WEEK OF DEC. 17

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Wednesday: Pizza stix, kernel corn, potato chips. Choice of pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, hot dog/bun, hamburger/bun, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Thursday: Roast turkey/gravy, mashed potato, yellow wax beans, cranberry sauce, biscuit/butter, jello/whipped cream, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Friday: Hot dog/bun, sliced carrots. Choice of pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, ham and cheese roll, hamburger/bun, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

SAD44 Elementary Lunch Program

Monday: McMuffin, sausage. Choice of beef ravioli, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Tuesday: Vegetable beef stew/crackers, green beans, beef ravioli, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Wednesday: Pizza stix, kernel corn, beef ravioli, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Thursday: Roast turkey/gravy, mashed potato, yellow wax beans, cranberry sauce, biscuit/butter, jello/whipped cream, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Friday: Hot dog/bun, mixed vegetables, assorted fruit juice, beef ravioli, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Oxford Hills High School Lunch

Monday: Cheeseburger/bun, potato chips, mixed vegetables, fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Hot dog/bun, baked beans, cole slaw, fruit, milk.

Wednesday: Tomato soup, turkey sandwich, celery sticks, fruit, milk.

Thursday: Homemade chop suey, steamed corn, salad bar bread/butter, fruit, milk.

Friday: Peanut butter and jelly sandwich, corn chips, yogurt, fruit, milk.

Oxford Hills Middle School Lunch

Monday: Chicken patty/bun or Rib-A-Que/bun, corn chips, pasta bar, milk.

Tuesday: BLT/bun or vegetarian sub, potato chips, pickles, pasta bar, milk.

Wednesday: French toast sticks w/syrup or hot ham and cheese/bun, ham patty, potato puffs, juice, pasta bar, milk.

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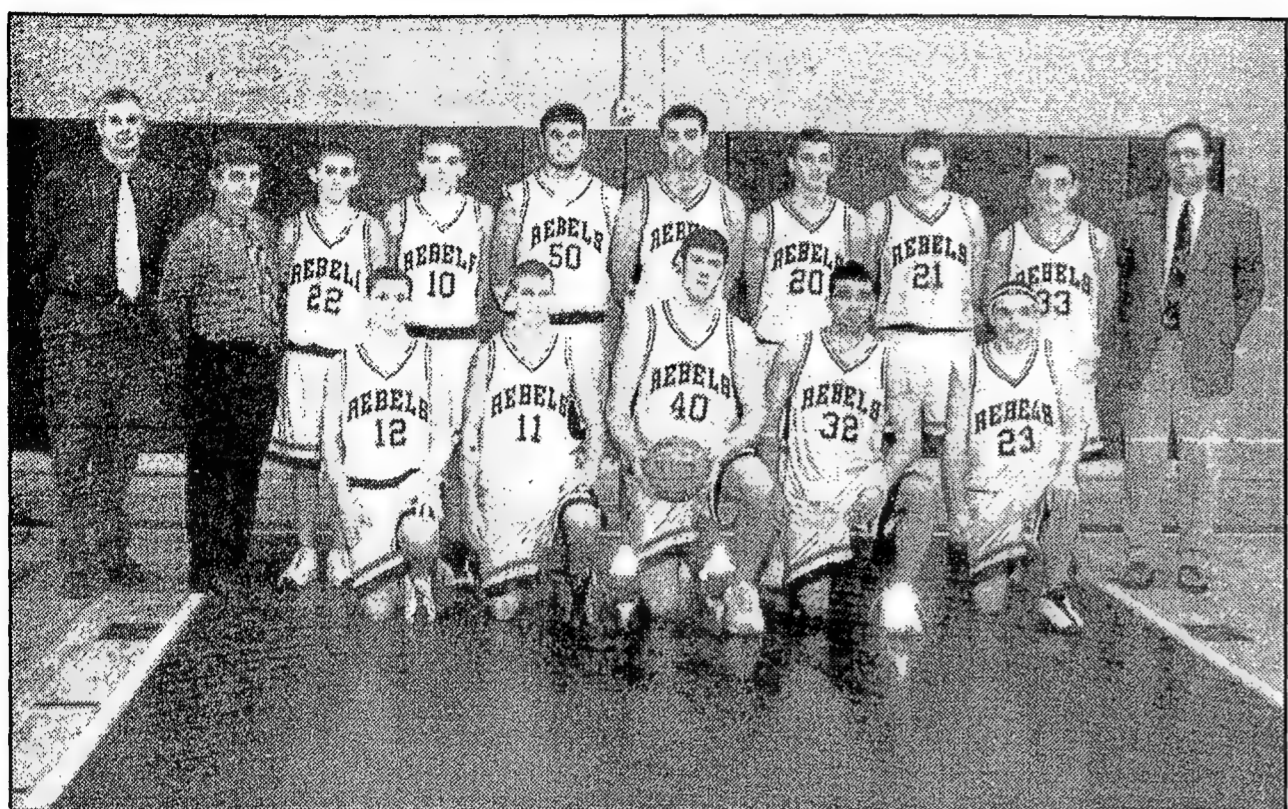
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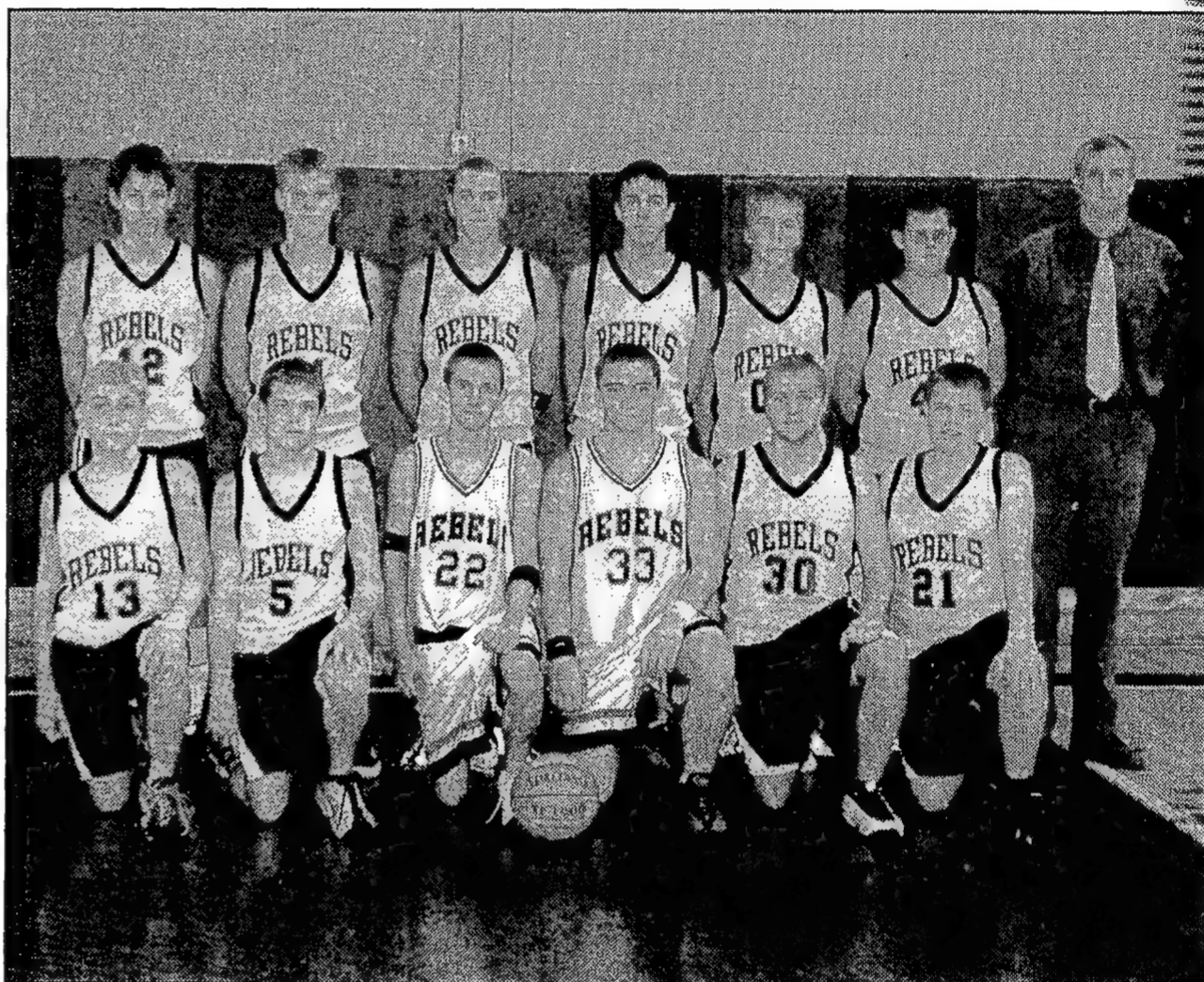
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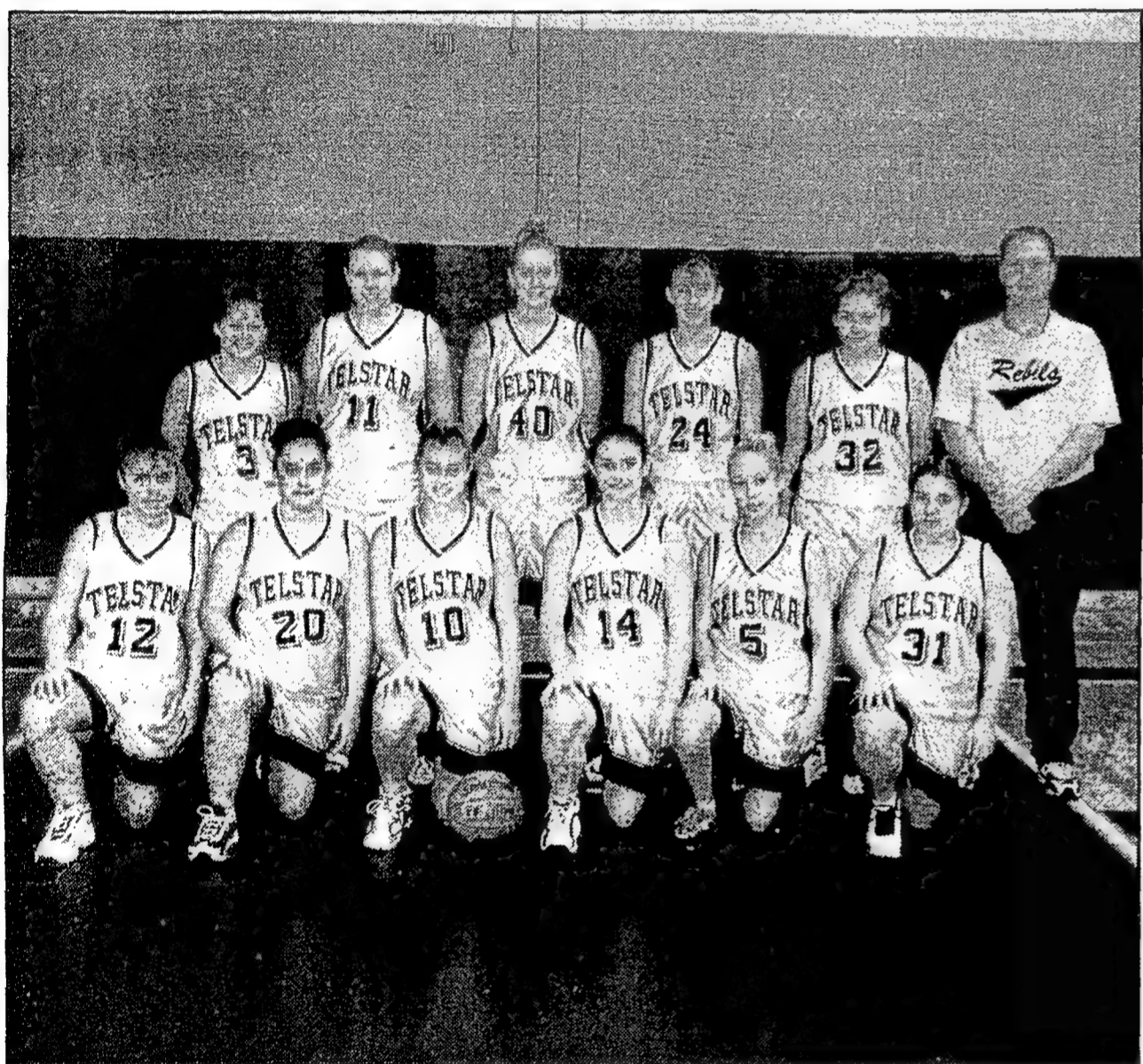


THS 2001-2002 BOYS' VARSITY BASKETBALL
Front: Mike Gionet, Robie Wentworth, Matt Newell, Kaleb Durgin, Joe Gaudreau. Back: coach David Berry, coach Larry Durgin, Casey Fleet, Kinsey Durgin, Gavin Palmer, Eli Young, Wade Osgood, Jordi Walker, Kurt Wight, coach Alec Newell.

THS 2001-2002 BOYS' J.V. BASKETBALL
Front: Kevin Zinchuk, T.J. Savage, Casey Fleet, Kurt Wight, Chris Estes, Clayton Smith. Back: Josh Longway, Alex Best, Terry Collins, August Reiss, Matt Mills, Casey Ryerson, coach David Berry.



THS 2001-2002 GIRLS' VARSITY BASKETBALL
Front: Lacy Gammon, Ashley Stambolis, Mariah Seames, Jennie Cox, Santana Wilson, Kara Jacques. Back: Katie Wight, Rebecca Swan, Fran Hardy, Lauren Hart, Krystal Gould, coach Aaron Bean. Absent: Anna Willard.



THS 2001-2002 GIRLS' J.V. BASKETBALL
Front: Sarah Farnum, Crystal Hadley, Santana Wilson, Ashley Stambolis, Sheena Hunt, Kara Jacques. Back: coach Jason Hewitt, Tanya Knox, Nola Wentworth, Fran Hardy, Erin Farrington, Jennie Cox, Lacy Gammon.



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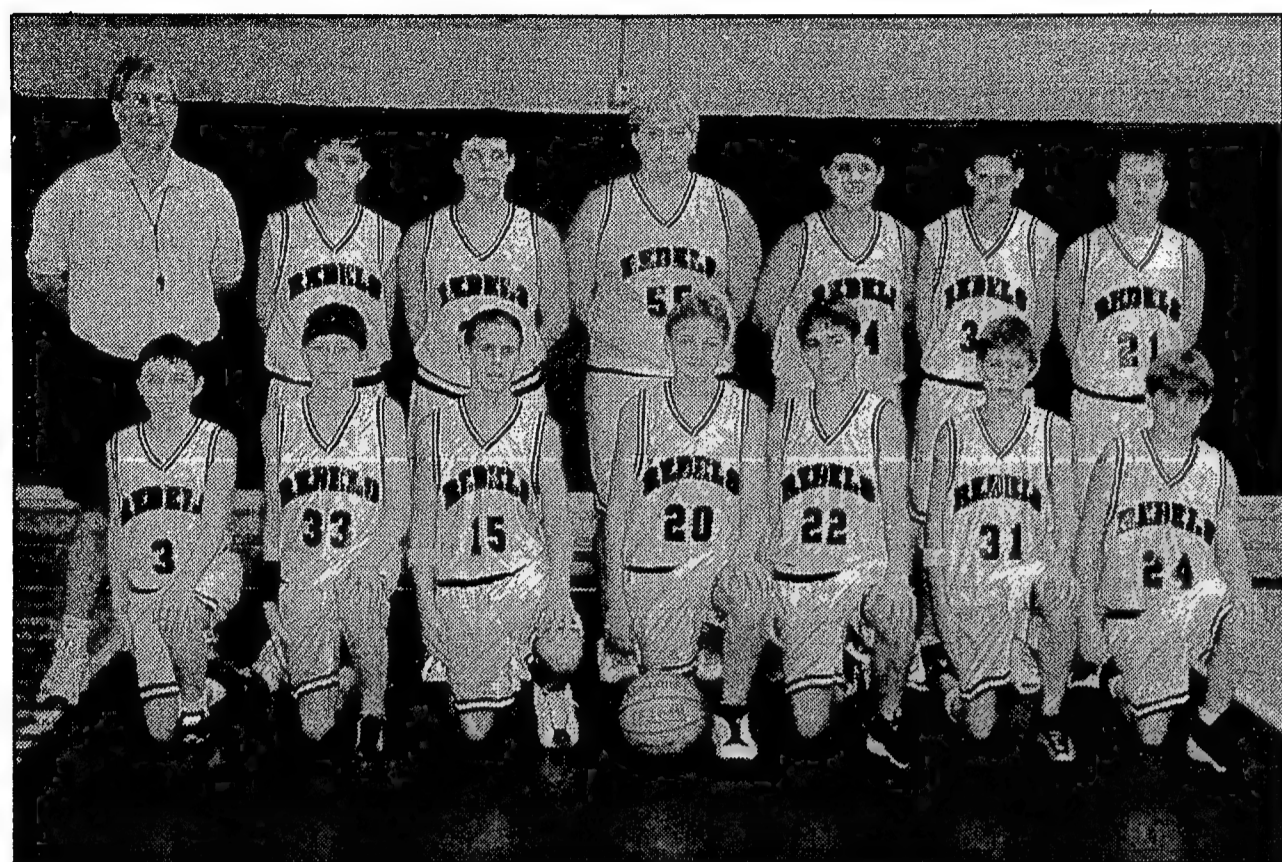
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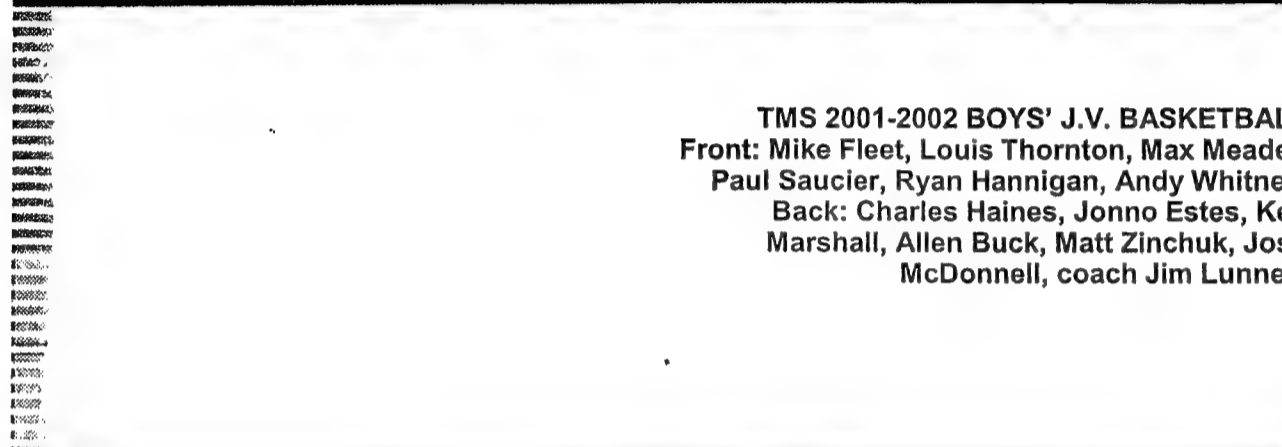
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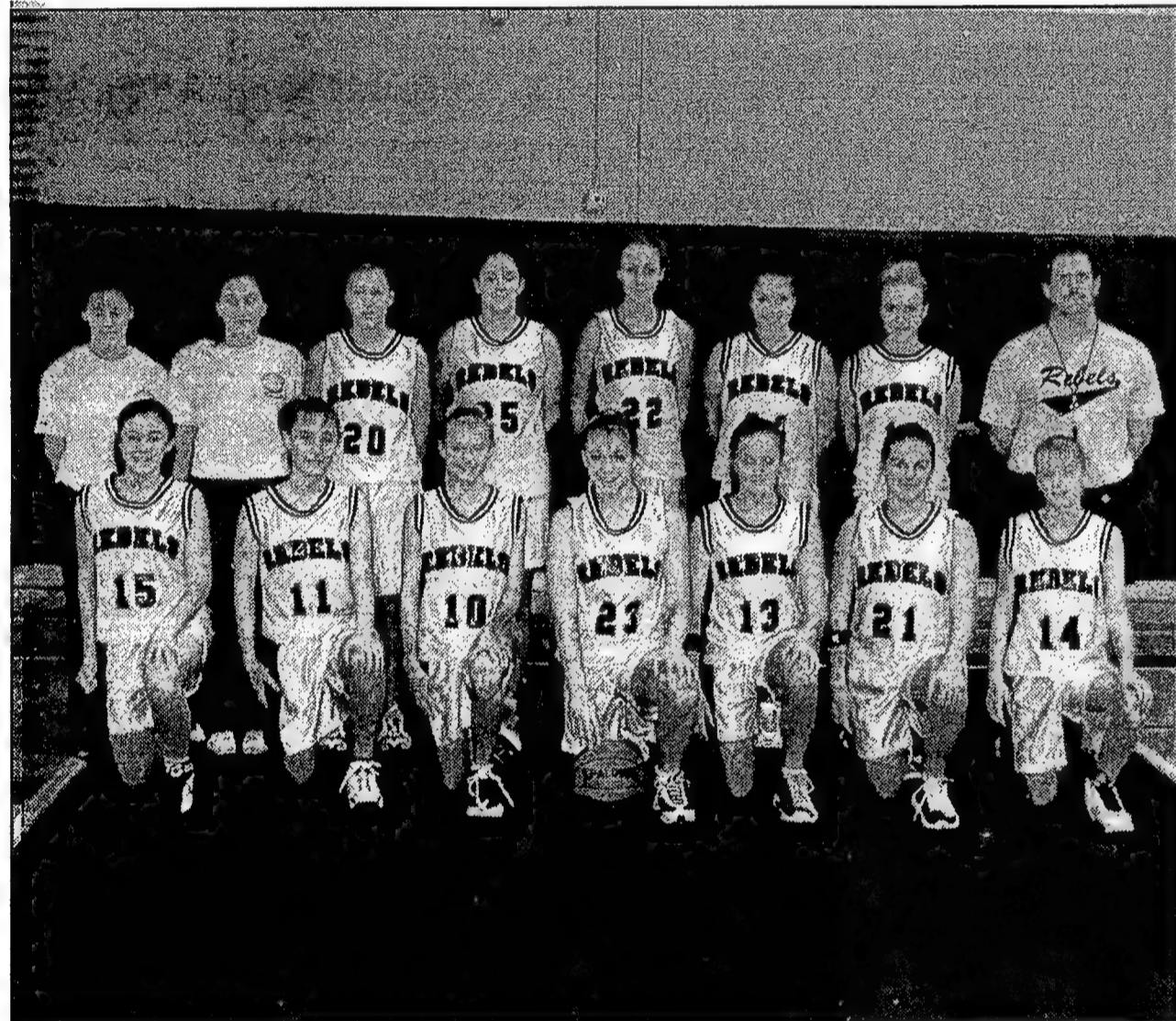
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Front: Louis Thornton, Matt Zinchuk, Stephen McDonnell, Jonno Estes, Nathan Walker, Ian Siekman, Max Meader. Back: coach Bill Caddigan, Sean Caddigan, Kevin Gallagher, Curtis Hughes, Ryan Kimball, Kyle Gordon, Blake Conrad.



TMS 2001-2002 BOYS' J.V. BASKETBALL
Front: Mike Fleet, Louis Thornton, Max Meader, Paul Saucier, Ryan Hannigan, Andy Whitney. Back: Charles Haines, Jonno Estes, Ken Marshall, Allen Buck, Matt Zinchuk, Josh McDonnell, coach Jim Lunney.



TMS 2001-2002 GIRLS' VARSITY BASKETBALL
Front: Sarah Swan, Jillian Kimball, Abby Wentworth, Linsay Hart, Bailey Davis, Liz Rosenberg, Joseline Belanger. Back: Cindy Farrington (mgr.), Margaret Duplessis (mgr.), Kayla Day, Chelsea Cozzilino, Chea Davis, Kelsey Dole, Tara Lunney, coach Tim O'Connor.



TMS 2001-2002 GIRLS' J.V. BASKETBALL
Front: Sarah Field, Josie Riese, Vicki Rice, Caiti Shimamura, Abby Hutchins, Nicole Hughes, Nicole Gaidis. Back: coach Brian Mills, Jackie Coffin, Ester Pew, Megan Smith, Kristie Carver, Kara Thurlow, Margaret Duplessis (mgr.), Cindy Farrington (mgr.).
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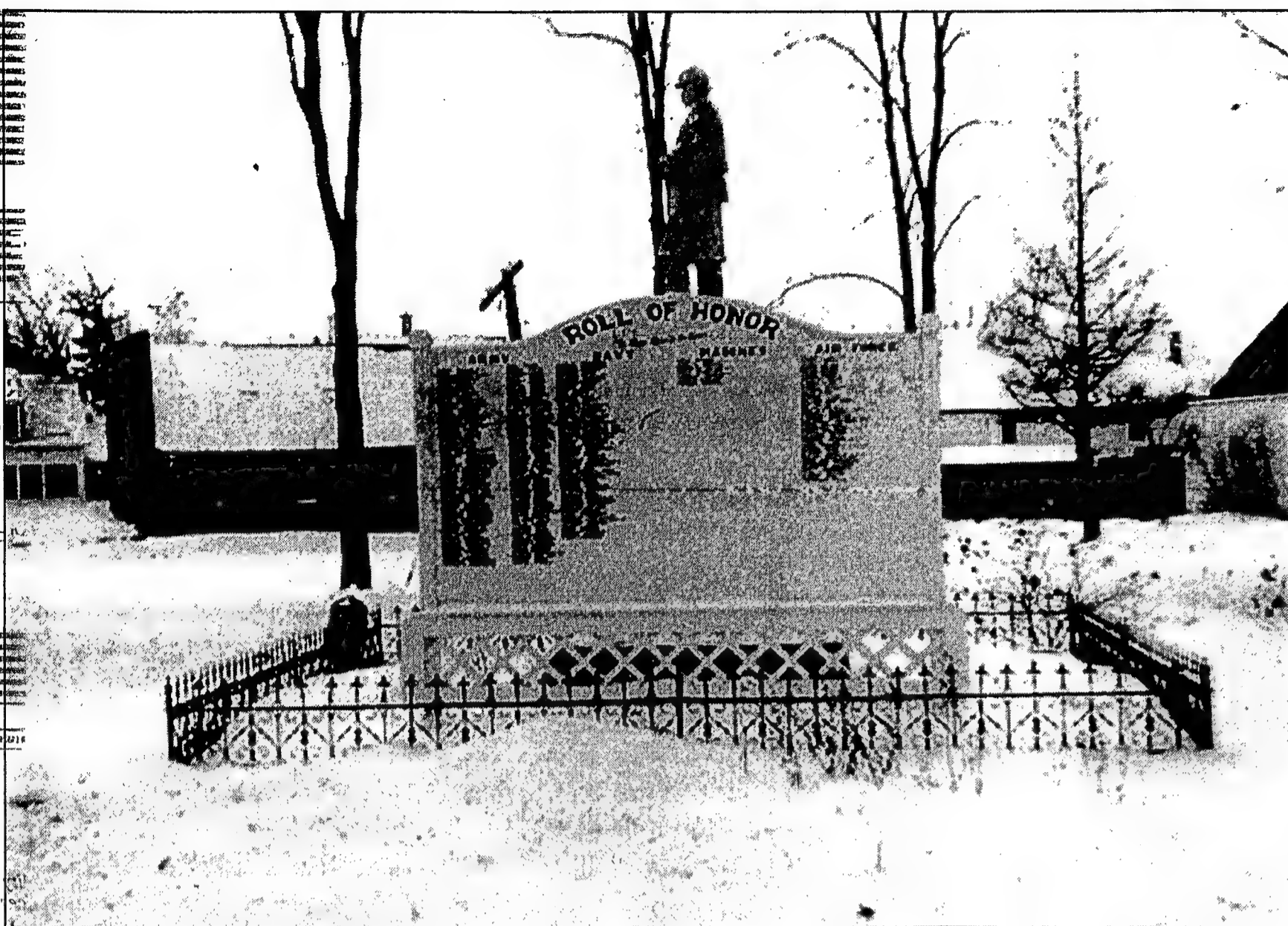
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documents, and artifacts relating to western Maine and northern New Hampshire. The society is currently raising funds to establish its Regional History Center and to renovate the 1821 O'Neil Robinson House on Broad Street, which now houses exhibit galleries, offices, and the museum shop. Completion of this project will provide for improved storage space and greater access to collections as well as rooms devoted to educational activities, genealogical and historical research, and traditional crafts. Once the center is fully operational it will offer an expanded series of lectures, special events, conferences, courses, seminars, and publications. To learn more about this project, call the society at 824-2908 or (800) 824-2910, write to us at bethelhistory@ctel.net or visit the Web site at www.ctel.net/~bethelhistory.

In our backyard

Dioxin in our own back yards

Today's trash can be hazardous to your health. That's right. Large incinerators are built to control air pollution. But burning trash anywhere else is likely to produce toxic smoke. Depending on what's in your trash, you could be breathing dioxin when you burn it.

Today's trash contains a number of materials which, when burned, create toxic air pollution including dioxin. Although there are many materials that produce dioxin, including bleached paper and cardboard products, the biggest culprit is waste material made of PVC plastic.

PVC is the only plastic that forms significant amounts of dioxin when burned. Even in municipal waste incinerators it is better to avoid burning PVCs to reduce air pollutant levels and toxic ash disposal.

Dioxin poses serious health risks for adults and children. The smoke from backyard trash burning of dioxin-producing materials can aggravate asthma and respiratory ailments, and can impair the growth and development of children. It can also create increased risk of cancer, diabetes, endometriosis and damage the reproductive systems of young women. The ash that remains is also hazardous and, if put on a garden, the dioxin is taken up by the vegetable plants.

That's why Maine law now prohibits outdoor trash burning. It's no longer legal to burn household trash in barrels, campfires, outside fireplaces and the like. Maine legislators have been struggling with the dioxin issue and this year commissioned studies for the study of diversion of "plastic-waste, dioxin-forming products" to land disposal rather than incineration. In the meantime, they decided to protect public health by banning backyard trash burning throughout the state.

Since Sept. 21, local fire wardens have not been issuing any new incinerator burning permits. Those people who obtained such permits in 2001 will be "grandfathered" until year's end or until a complaint that the smoke is bothering a neighbor is registered with local or state officials. (To learn more about Maine's new open burning restrictions, call 287-2437 or visit www.maineDEP.com.)

As homeowners, we can help reduce the amount of toxic dioxin in our environment by not burning trash at home and never burning products made with PVC plastic. As consumers, we can reevaluate our purchasing habits and consider recyclability when buying products.

PVC is the only recyclable plastic that is not currently accepted at most recycling facilities in the state, and less polluting alternatives do exist for most uses of PVC plastic. (Learn more about alternative products on the Internet at www.recyclemaine.com and www.maineenvironment.org.)

Although labeling is not required, you may be able to identify PVC products if they have the "plastics recycling label." Any of these symbols, letters or words may be used: the number 3 inside a triangle next to the letter V, PVC, PVDC or vinyl.

Here's to your health. Protect yourself and your family. Steer clear of dioxin-laced smoke. Please do your part to reduce dioxin levels and keep our environment a healthy one for generations to come. Don't burn your trash.

"In our backyard" is a column of the Maine Department of Environmental Protection. E-mail your environmental questions to: info@state.me.us or send them to: "In our backyard," Maine DEP, 17 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333.

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THURSDAY EVENING DECEMBER 13, 2001

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	News	Frasier	WWF Smackdown!				Ent. Tonight	Frasier	5th Wheel	Shipmates
(32)	Movie: "Richie Rich's Christmas Wish"				Movie: "Miracle on 34th Street"				700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Friends	Will-Grace	Will-Grace	Just Shoot	ER		News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Whose?	Be a Millionaire		Primetime Thursday		News		
(10)	News-Lehrer	Maine	Made In	P.O.V.		Mystery!			7 Years	
(22)	Timber	Timber	Reel Classics Uncut: Ali		Boxing: Ray Oliveira vs. Omar Weiss			Sportscenter		
(34)	Mad TV	Mad TV	Star Trek: Next Gener.		Movie: "Missing in Action 2: The Beginning"			Star Trek: Next Gener.		
(13)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	Survivor: Africa		Amazing Race		CSI: Crime Scn	News		
(41)	Tailgate	Best Damn Sports Show Period			Last Word	Sports		Last Word	Best-Sports	
(15)	Real Sports		Inside the NFL		Movie: "Almost Famous"			Real Sex		
(17)	Movie: "Honey, We Shrunk Ourselves"		Movie: "The Borrowers"				Movie: "Operation Dumbo Drop"			
(18)	"What Lies Beneath"		Movie: "Big Momma's House"				Movie: "Shadow of the Vampire"			
(20)	Bruins	NHL Hockey: Boston Bruins at Washington Capitals					ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	
(44)	American Teacher Awards				"A Brother's Promise: The Dan Jansen Story"			Golden	Golden	
(5)	Fresh Pr.	Friends	Movie: "City Slickers"					Movie: "Last Man Standing"		
(24)	Rugrats	Rugrats	Spongeb	Rugrats	Brady	Family Ties	Cheers	Cheers	All in Family	All in Family
(25)	Three Stooges		Movie: "Harold and Maude"		Movie: "Fright Night"					
(26)	JAG		Nash Bridges		JAG			Smush	Martin	
(27)	Law & Order		Biography			Poirot		Law & Order		
(12)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "Iron Will"			News		In the Heat of the Night		
(39)	Wolf Blitzer	Crossfire	Afghanistan	The Point	Larry King Live	Newsnight		Greenfield	Moneyline	

FRIDAY EVENING DECEMBER 14, 2001

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	News	Frasier	Movie: "Jason's Lyric"				Ent. Tonight	Frasier	5th Wheel	Shipmates
(32)	Rudolph-Frosty		Movie: "A Different Kind of Christmas"				Rudolph's-New Year		700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Providence		Dateline		Law & Order		News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Funnies Home Videos		Before They Were Stars!		Once and Again		News	
(10)	News-Lehrer	Wash Wk	Wall St.		Keeping Up	Life 360		Egg	Egg	
(22)	Rites of Autumn: Victory	Season			College Basketball: Cincinnati at Xavier			Sportscenter		
(34)	Mad TV	Mad TV	Star Trek: Next Gener.		Star Trek: Next Gener.		Star Trek: Next Gener.		Star Trek: Next Gener.	
(13)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	Movie: "The Christmas Secret"				48 Hours		News	
(41)	Tailgate	NBA Basketball: Chicago Bulls at Boston Celtics					Sports	Sports	Last Word	Best-Sports
(15)	Inside the NFL		Movie: "Hollow Man"				Movie: "Back in Business"		Greenlight	
(17)	Proud	Lizzie	Santa Claus Brothers		Movie: "The Beverly Hillsbillies"		Movie: "The Beverly Hillsbillies"			
(18)	Movie: "Gladiator"						Movie: "Space Cowboys"			
(20)	Boating	Divers	Outdoors	Outdoors	Front Row-Quest		ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	
(44)	Figure Skating: ISU		Unsolved Mysteries		Movie: "The Lake"			Once and Again		
(5)	Fresh Pr.	Friends	Movie: "Conspiracy Theory"					"Fire Down Below"		
(24)	Rugrats	Rugrats	Spongeb	Oddparents	Martians	Invader Zim	Cheers	Cheers	All in Family	All in Family
(25)	Three Stooges		Movie: "Can't Stop the Music"				Cinema	Movie: "Son of Frankenstein"		
(26)	JAG		Nash Bridges		Movie: "Fear"			So I Married-Murderer		
(27)	Law & Order		Biography				Under the Big Top			
(12)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "Oliver & Company"				News		In the Heat of the Night	
(39)	Wolf Blitzer	Crossfire	Afghanistan	The Point	Larry King Live	Newsnight		Greenfield	Moneyline	

SATURDAY EVENING DECEMBER 15, 2001

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	NHL Hockey: Philadelphia Flyers at Boston Bruins						Entertainment Tonight		Star Trek: Voyager	
(32)	Movie: "Must Be Santa"				Movie: "Three Days"				"The Christmas List"	
(6)	Maine	Weather	S.I.'s Night of Champions		Movie: "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation"			News	Sat. Night	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Figure Skating: ISU Grand Prix Final					News	Buffy	
(10)	Made In	Opinion	Antiques Roadshow UK		Time Goes	Barbara	National Geographic	Red Green	Red Green	
(22)	College Basketball: Tennessee at Memphis				College Basketball: Iowa at Missouri			Sportscenter		
(34)	Rodeo	Monster Jam			Robot Wars: Extreme		WWF Excess		WWF Excess Late Night	
(13)	NFL Football		Story of Santa Claus		Touched by an Angel		District		News	
(41)	NBA Action	NBA Basketball: Boston Celtics at Charlotte Hornets					Sports	Sports	Beyond the Glory	
(15)	"Terminal Velocity"		Movie: "Proof of Life"					Boxing: Holyfield vs. Ruiz		
(17)	Proud	Lizzie	Movie: "The Sandlot"				Movie: "Rookie of the Year"			
(18)	"Disclosure: Cont'd"		Movie: "The Star Chamber"				Movie: "The Arrival"			
(20)	Front Row -- Vertical Run		Wild World of Winter		ESPNNews	ESPNNews	College Basketball			
(44)	Mother, May I-Danger		Movie: "A Mother's Testimony"				Weddings of a Lifetime		Beyond Chance	
(5)	Movie: "Conspiracy Theory"						Movie: "The Quick and the Dead"			
(24)	Hey Arnold! Rugrats		Olive, the Other Reindeer		Rugrats	Rugrats	Cheers	Cheers	All in Family	All in Family
(25)	"The Far Country" Cont'd		Movie: "The Friends of Eddie Coyle"				Movie: "Chuck Berry Hail Hail Rock 'n' Roll"			
(26)	Movie: "Fear"				Movie: "Jane Doe"				Law and Order	
(27)	Law & Order		Biography				Holiday at Pops!		100 Centre Street	
(12)	Fam. Mat.	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.		NBA Basketball: Atlanta Hawks at Chicago Bulls			News	Program	
(39)	Capital Gang		CNN Presents		Larry King Weekend		Report	People	Capital Gang	

SUNDAY EVENING DECEMBER 16, 2001

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Movie: "Babes in Toyland"				Maximum Exposure		Wildest Police Videos	
(32)	"Three Days" Cont'd		Movie: "Borrowed Hearts: A Holiday Romance"				Movie: "Christmas Eve"			
(6)	Movie: "Antz"				Movie: "Titanic"			News	Hot Ticket	
(8)	Pooh and Christmas		Charlie Brown Christmas		Alias		Practice		News	Buffy
(10)	Ballykissangel		Nature		American Masters		Rediscovering		Mystery!	
(22)	Sportsctr.	NFL Primetime			NFL Football: Pittsburgh Steelers at Baltimore Ravens				Sportsctr.	
(34)	Baywatch		Fame for 15		Ultimate	Small Shots	Gallagher Gospel Hour		Rodeo	
(13)	60 Minutes		Touched by an Angel		Movie: "A Town Without Christmas"				News	
(41)	College Basketball		College Basketball: Florida State at Wake Forest				Sports	Sports	Beyond the Glory	
(15)	Movie: "Maverick" Cont'd		Sopranos		Sex & City	Sex & City	Greenlight		Movie: "Good Advice"	
(17)	Proud	Lizzie	Movie: "Model Behavior"				Movie: "Zenon: Girl of the 21st Century"			BugJuice
(18)	"Anywhere but Here"		Movie: "Say Nothing"				Movie: "All the Pretty Horses"			
(20)	Fan Affic: Bruins 69-70				Front Row -- Vertical Run		ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	"Blind Obsession" Cont'd		Strong Medicine		Division		Any Day Now		Women Docs	
(5)	"Total Recall" Cont'd		Movie: "The Terminator"				Movie: "The Terminator"			
(24)	Taina	Ginger	Caiflin	Garcia	Family Ties	Family Ties		Cheers	All in Family	All in Family
(25)	HighAnxty	The Lot	Movie: "The Getaway"				Screen		Movie: "Cinderella Liberty"	
(26)	"Jane Doe" Cont'd		Movie: "Baby Geniuses"				JAG		Law & Order	
(27)	Sting in Tuscany-Time		Nero Wolfe				Movie: "Home Alone 2: Lost in New York"			Newsradio
(12)	Mutant X		Andromeda		Earth: Final Conflict		News	Replay		In the Heat of the Night
(39)	CNN Presents		Wolf Blitzer	People	Larry King Weekend		Special Report		CNN Presents	

MONDAY EVENING DECEMBER 17, 2001

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	News	Frasier	Hughleys	One	Parkers	Girlfriends	Ent. Tonight	Frasier	5th Wheel	Shipmates
(32)	Movie: "The Christmas Path"				Movie: "Miracle on 34th Street"				700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Weakest Link		Movie: "Titanic"				News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Sports Rap Live		NFL Football: St. Louis Rams at New Orleans Saints					
(10)	News-Lehrer		Capitol Connection		Masterpiece Theatre				Antiques Roadshow	
(22)	Sportsctr.	Monday Night Countdown			ISU Figure Skating Grand Prix Final Highlights				Cheerlead	
(34)	Fame for 15		Star Trek: Next Gener.		WWF Raw				Star Trek: Next Gener.	
(13)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	King	Ellen	Raymond	Yes, Dear	Family Law		News	
(41)	NBA Basketball: Boston Celtics at Philadelphia 76ers						Sports	Sports	Last Word	Best-Sports
(15)	Road	"Twas Night	Real Sports		Movie: "The Whole Nine Yards"			Ocean's 11	George Carlin	
(17)	Mickey's Christmas		Movie: "Johnny Tsunami"						Movie: "Back to the Future Part II"	
(18)	Vampire		Movie: "Vertical Limit"						Movie: "Orgazmo"	
(20)	Boating	Divers	Outdoors	Outdoors	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	Intimate Portrait		Unsolved Mysteries		Movie: "Unwed Father"				Golden	Golden
(5)	Friends	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "Sleepless in Seattle"						Movie: "Joe Versus the Volcano"	
(24)	Rugrats	Rugrats	Spongeb	Rugrats	Brady	Family Ties	Cheers	Cheers	All in Family	All in Family
(25)	Three Stooges		Movie: "Marnie"				Backstory		"Paris When It Sizzles"	
(26)	JAG		Movie: "Rain Man"						Smush	Martin
(27)	Law & Order		Biography		Investigative Reports		Investigative Reports		Law & Order	
(12)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "As Good as Dead"				News		In the Heat of the Night	
(39)	Wolf Blitzer	Crossfire	The Point		Larry King Live		Newsnight		Greenfield	Moneyline

TUESDAY EVENING DECEMBER 18, 2001

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	News	Frasier	Buffy the Vampire Slayer		Roswell		Ent. Tonight	Frasier	5th Wheel	Shipmates
(32)	Jack Frost		Santa is Coming to Town		Life of Santa Claus		Without Santa		700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Emeril	Sisters	Frasier	Scrubs	Most Intriguing People		News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Contact: Talk		NYPD Blue		Philly		News	
(10)	News-Lehrer		Nova		She Says: Women		St. Olaf C'mas		McLaughlin	Religion
(22)	College Basketball: Jimmy V -- Ala. vs. Temple				Basketball	College Basketball: Jimmy V -- Duke vs. Ky.			Sportscr.	
(34)	Mad TV	Mad TV	Star Trek: Next Gener.		Movie: "The Naked Gun"				Star Trek: Next Gener.	
(13)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	JAG		Guardian		Judging Amy		News	
(41)	See This	Best Damn Sports Show Period					Last Word	Sports	Sports	Last Word
(15)	"The Perfect Storm"		All First		Movie: "Proof of Life"				Greenlight	Real Sex
(17)	PB J Otter	Rollie Polie	Stanley	Pooh	Movie: "It Nearly Wasn't Christmas"		Movie: "P.U.N.K.S."			
(18)	Hudson		Movie: "Space Cowboys"				Movie: "Demolition Man"			
(20)	NHL Hockey: Atlanta Thrashers at Boston Bruins						Wild World of Winter		ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	Intimate Portrait		Unsolved Mysteries		Movie: "Stolen Miracle"				Golden	Golden
(5)	Friends	Fresh Pr.	NBA Basketball: Los Angeles Clippers at Phoenix Suns				Inside NBA		Movie: "Lock Up"	
(24)	Rugrats	Rugrats	Spongeb	Ginger	Brady	Family Ties	Cheers	Cheers	All in Family	All in Family
(25)	Three Stooges		Movie: "The Grapes of Wrath"						Movie: "El Dorado"	
(26)	JAG		Movie: "Prancer"				Smush	Smush	Smush	Martin
(27)	Law & Order		Biography		Law & Order		100 Centre Street		Law & Order	
(12)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "Madhouse"				News		In the Heat of the Night	
(39)	Wolf Blitzer	Crossfire	The Point		Larry King Live		Newsnight		Greenfield	Moneyline

WEDNESDAY EVENING DECEMBER 19, 2001

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	News	Frasier	Enterprise		Special Unit 2		Ent. Tonight	Frasier	5th Wheel	Shipmates
(32)	Movie: "Like Father, Like Santa"				Movie: "I'll Be Home for Christmas"				700 Club	
6	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Ed		West Wing		Law & Order		News	
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	My Wife	Jim	Drew Carey	Whose?	20/20		News	
10	News-Lehrer		Live From Lincoln Center				Amato: A Love Affair		To Contrary	School
(22)	Sportsctr.	Sprtsctnry	NHL Hockey: New Jersey Devils at New York Rangers						Sportscenter	
(34)	Mad TV	Mad TV	Star Trek: Next Gener.		Movie: "The Birdcage"					
13	Friends	Ent. Tonight	60 Minutes II		Movie: "The Sons of Mistletoe"				News	
(41)	NBA Basketball: Cleveland Cavaliers at Boston Celtics				Sports	Sports	Sports		Last Word	Best-Sports
(15)	Chance	Movie: "Ready to Rumble"			Greenlight	Six Feet Under			Oz	
(17)	Santa Claus Brothers	Movie: "Twas the Night"			Movie: "Jumping Ship"				Proud	
(18)	Galaxy Q	Movie: "Disclosure"				Movie: "All the Pretty Horses"				
(20)	Finish Line	Sports	College Basketball: Pittsburgh at Ohio State				ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	Intimate Portrait	Unsolved Mysteries			Movie: "Five Desperate Hours"				Golden	Golden
(5)	Friends	Fresh Pr.	Ripley's Believe It or Not!		Movie: "A Christmas Story"				Ripley's Believe It or Not!	
(24)	Rugrats	Rugrats	Spongeb	Thombarrys	Brady	Family Ties	Cheers	Cheers	All in Family	All in Family
(25)	Three Stooges		Movie: "Fat Man and Little Boy"			Movie: "The Parallax View"				
(26)	JAG	Nash Bridges			Movie: "Black Dog"				Smush	Martin
(27)	Law & Order	Biography			American Justice		City Confidential		Law & Order	
(28)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "Split Decisions"			News		In the Heat of the Night		
(39)	Wolf Ritzzy	Crossfire	The Point		Larry King Live		Newsnight		Greenfield	Manuel

Events Calendar



Public Computer Access — The SAD44 Adult Learning Center will open for the school year on Tuesday, Aug. 28, providing literacy services, GED preparation, academic skills instruction to prepare for employment or college, as well as career and educational advising. The computer lab is open for public use by adults during hours that the Learning Center is open — Monday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Tuesday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Thursday, 9 a.m. to noon. Childcare will be provided on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings. There is no charge for any Learning Center services. For more information, call 824-2780.

District Exchange Community Thrift Shop accepts donations of in-season clothing in clean, wearable condition only. Drop-off hours and shopping: Monday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Thursday, 4 to 6 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Seniors Lunch every Tuesday and Thursday, 11:30 a.m., at Bethel Methodist Church, Main Street, sponsored by SeniorsPlus. Donation for 60 and older and spouses, \$2.50; all other guests, \$4. Come alone or bring a friend. Reservations are important. For information, menus, reservations, call 824-3168 (also the number to call to apply for Meals on Wheels).

8:30 to 9:30 a.m. — **Water Aerobics at Bethel Inn** — Monday, Wednesday, Friday mornings. Call 875-2065 for more information.

9 a.m. to 5 p.m., **Dec. 15-23** — **Tape/CD signing** by storyteller Joe Perham at Maine Line Products store in Locke Mills. Twelve cassettes and two CDs recount tales of life in Maine poking fun at country and city lifestyles. Win admission to The BIG Adventure Center, Bethel, and a pound of fudge in daily drawings. Grand Prize: Maine Line Products Gift Basket awarded Dec. 23. Call 875-2522 or go to Web site www.mainelineproducts.com for more information.

To South Paris area veterans: The Veterans' Service Officer will not be at the Maine Veterans' Home due to other department business. He will, however, be there on Wednesday, Jan. 2, at his usual time (9 a.m. to noon).

Thursday, Dec. 13

10 a.m. — **Book Discussion Group** will meet at Whitman Memorial Library with Rodney Abbott reading poetry. There will be a reading of a "Cup of Christmas Tea," as well as some tea and refreshments after. Book exchange will follow. To join in the Christmas spirit, bring any book to share, wrapped as a gift, and get one in return. All are welcome.

Friday, Dec. 14

9 a.m. until sold out — **Mahoosuc Music Makers Christmas Bake Sale at Bethel Foodliner.**

9 a.m. — **Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge Club** game at Twin Town Mobil Home Community Center, off Route 26 south, Norway. All bridge players invited to come, play and learn the game. No need to bring partner. Call Rowena Palmer at 743-2882 or Mimi Bell at 743-8081.

Friday and Saturday, Dec. 14-15

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. — **McLaughlin Foundation, South Paris, second annual Trees and Trains exhibit** in the barn. In the McLaughlin house, there will be one additional G-scale set and several O and HO sets running.

Support Services

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

Exchanges

District Exchange—Open every Monday 1-4 p.m., Thursday, 4-6 p.m. and every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Ethel Bisbee School, Bethel. Clothing on sale, food available for those in need.

The Woodstock Seventh Day Adventist Church Community Service Center announces that individuals or families requiring assistance with food needs in the South Woodstock, Bryant Pond, West Paris and Sumner areas are invited to call 674-2566, 674-2663, or 665-2226 to learn more details.

Abused Women's Advocacy Project
AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5806; 24-hour hotline 1-800-559-2927.

Alcohol/Drug Treatment

Gateway Recovery Services—Outpatient counseling services available at Bethel Family Health Center, Mondays and Wednesdays. For info, call 207-743-7580.

Veterans' Services

(State/VA Benefits)

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, first and third Wednesday each month, 9 to 12 noon (743-6300); Rumford Employment Sec. Bldg. (364-3718), second and fourth Thursday, 9 to 12 noon; Lewiston (795-4590), 200 Main St., 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Monday thru Friday, location: Monday-Sunday School 2-4:15 p.m. Tel. 392-4841. (new members welcome)

Mental Illness Support Group

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional or physical illness, provides support, relaxation and socialization. Monday, 1 to 5 p.m.; Tuesday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Thursday, 3 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday, 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 364-3549 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays or (800) 335-9999 off hours. 928-3222.

Library Hours

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1-4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6 to 8 p.m. Tel. 392-4841.
Bethel Library: Monday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Tuesday, 1-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1-8 p.m.; Thursday 1-5 p.m.; Friday, 1-8 p.m.; Saturday, 9-11 a.m. Story Hour for preschoolers, Thursday, 10-11 a.m. (September through May). Michelle Conroy, Librarian. 824-2520.

Crescent Park Elementary School: Open every Thursday evening from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. to the public.

Hamlin Memorial Library, Paris Hill: Tuesday-Friday, 11:30-5:30; Saturday, 10-2; Wednesday evening, 7-9 p.m. Tel. 743-2980.

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel. 665-2505. Library hours: Tues., 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Wed., 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Thurs., 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Fri., 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

West Paris Library, West Paris: Monday 1:30-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1:30-7 p.m.; Friday, 1:30-5 p.m. 674-2004.

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 10-12 through July and August. Story
Upton Library: Saturdays 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

during exhibit hours. Coffee, cocoa, tea and cookies available at ticket office. Tickets: \$4 for adults and \$2 for children under 12. For more information, call 743-8820 or visit www.mclaughlingarden.org.

Saturday, Dec. 15

10 a.m. to noon — **Santa Claus will be at The Big Apple on Railroad Street, Bethel.** Photo opportunity and treats.

7:30 p.m. — **Yulefest Concert at Gould Academy** William Bingham Auditorium.

8 a.m. to 5 p.m. — **Baby-sitting service for holiday shoppers** offered by Telstar Future Business Leaders of America at Woodstock Elementary School. Cost is: one to two kids, \$3/hr. per kid; three or more kids, \$2/hr. per kid. Lunch and snacks provided. Bring diaper bag, if applicable, and a change of clothes. An infant/child CPR certified sitter will be present at all times. Any questions, call Jen Christiansen at Telstar (824-2136).

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. — **Christmas Open House at Designs, Main Street, Bethel.** Many decorations. Door prize raffle. Refreshments.

Noon to 4 p.m. — **Open House at Holiday House/Books-n-Things, Main Street, Bethel.** Tour, sale, refreshments, drawings for lodging and bookstore gift certificate.

2 to 4 p.m. — **Wagon rides.** Free. Meet at Bethel Fire Station.

FIS Eastern Cups at Sunday River Ski Resort. For information, call 824-3000.

9 a.m. to 6 p.m. — **Snowman Celebration Sale at The Village Sampler, Main Street, Bethel.** Hot mull cider for customers.

Sunday, Dec. 16

4 p.m. — **Locke Mills Vocal Group** will present a mini musical, "Of Shepherd and Kings," including selections by the Mollycoddle plus an instrumental ensemble at the Locke Mills Union Church. Refreshments following. Everyone welcome.

2 p.m. — **Finnish-American Heritage Society** meeting at the Heritage Center, West Paris. Program of Christmas features, gift exchange, readings, carols. Special coffee table.

Monday, Dec. 17

7 p.m. — **Newry Special Town Meeting** at the Town Office.

Monthly Meetings

First Sunday: Bethel Snow Twisters Club meets at Clayton Crockett's at 7 p.m. September through April.
Greenstock Snow Sports Snowmobile Club meets at the Greenwood Town Office at 9 a.m.

Windy Valleys Snowmobile Club meeting at Newry Town Office.
Second Sunday: Western Maine Mountain Trail Mixers ATV Club meets at 6:30pm at Sun Valley Sports, 129 Sunday River Road, Bethel. New members welcome.

Every Sunday: Western Mountains Meditation Group, Center for Natural Healing, 47 Pioneer Street, West Paris, 9:30 a.m. 674-3961.
Bethel Freedom Group AA meeting, 6 to 7 p.m. ST/BB at Bethel Fire Station.

First Monday: Greenwood Planning Board meets at Town Office, 7 p.m.

First and Third Monday: Bethel Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.
Newry Fire Department monthly meetings: first Monday, 7 p.m., at Sunday River Station; third Monday, 7 p.m., Bear River Station.

Franklin Grange #124, 7:00p.m., call 674-3046 or 674-3962 for more info.
Second Monday: Newry Mother's Club meets, 7:30 p.m. Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, J. Grover Tent #17, Ellis River Riders meet at Andover Fire Station, 7 p.m.

Third Monday: Greenwood Comprehensive Planning Committee meets at town office, 7p.m.
Second and Fourth Monday: SAD44 Board of Directors meets in Bethel, Woodstock or Andover at 7:30 p.m. Call 824-2185 for place. Gilcard Fire Department meets at the Fire Station at 7 p.m.

Every Monday: Mahoosuc Music Makers rehearsal, 7-9 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church (downstairs).
First Tuesday: Woodstock Planning Board meets at 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Upton selectmen meet at 7 p.m. at Town Office.
Western Maine Knitters Guild meets at Christ Church, Norway, 10 a.m. to noon.

First and Third Tuesday: The Greater Rumford Alliance for the Mentally Ill-Children and Adolescent Network (GRAM-CAN) Support, education and advocacy. Meets in the former St. John's rectory from 6:30-8 p.m. in Rumford. Contact Diane at 369-0542.

The Bethel Lions Club meets at the Frank Gibson home, North Road, Bethel, at 7 p.m.
Bethel Area Promise Keepers, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church. FACTS (Family/Friends and Consumers Together for Support) 6:30-8 p.m. at Ethel Bisbee Adult Learning Center. Contact Rhonda at 824-3076.

Greenwood selectmen meet at Town Office, 5 p.m.
Second Tuesday: Mundi-Allen Post, American Legion, meeting at 7:30 p.m. Supper starts at 6:30 p.m.
Telstar Alumni Association meets at 6:30 p.m. at the Telstar Library.

Ladies' Bible Fellowship, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.
Third Tuesday: Pine Tree Legal Assistance at Bethel Area Health Center, starting at 10 a.m.

Every Tuesday: Bethel Rotary Club meets at The Bethel Inn, 7:30 a.m.

Andover Board of Selectmen meets at the Town office, 7 p.m.
Newry Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 9 a.m.
CrossCountry Quilters will meet at the Robinson House or Bethel Library from 9 to 11am except the last Tuesday of each month the meeting will be from 7 to 9pm.

Cub Scout Pack 566 meeting, 6 p.m., at Crescent Park School Cafeteria.
Mollycoddle Chorus practice, 6:30-9 p.m. at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Skeetfield Rd., Oxford (Call 824-2468 for info).

First Wednesday: Greenwood Historical Society meets at the Society Building, Main St., Locke Mills, 7 p.m.
Bethel Area Archery Spinning Group, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church. Potluck luncheon.

Tuesday, Dec. 18

11:30 a.m. — **Christian Women United** meeting at Country Way Restaurant, South Paris. Program: "A Musical Celebration of the Birth of Jesus." Music by Lois Strauss and Priscilla Delehanty. Those not contacted who would like a reservation may call Pearl Anderson at 743-5724.

6:30 p.m. — **Mollycoddle Chapter** of Trout Unlimited meeting at River Restaurant, Route 26, West Paris. Speaker: Steve Wight, Registered Maine Guide and owner of Sunday River Inn and Cross Country Center, Newry. Dinner: \$13 and \$15 menu selections. Raffle for Able Fly Reel. Proceeds benefit Trout Unlimited "First Cast-Teaching Kids to Fly Fish" program soon to be implemented into local middle schools. Open to public. For more information, call Linda or Dick Walthers at 743-7461.

7 p.m. — **Winter Concert** by Telstar Music Department at Helen Berry Auditorium. Everyone invited.

Wednesday, Dec. 19

7 p.m. — **Public Hearing** by Bethel Planning Board at Telstar Lecture Hall.

Woodstock Extension meeting at Alice Hoyt's for a Christmas Party. Each member should be something to donate to the Food Pantry. There will be a tasting party.

Saturday, Dec. 22

8 to 11:30 p.m. — **Old-fashioned Dance at Locke Mills Town Hall** with music by the Richard Felt Orchestra. Proceeds to benefit Greenwood Historical Society.

Sunday, Dec. 23

2 p.m. — **Andover First Congregational Church** will present an afternoon of seasonal songs. Soprano Maria Cornwell will perform classical selections and a carol-sing will conclude the afternoon. A freewill offering will be taken to benefit David Sthole; a church-sponsored college student.

Monday, Dec. 31

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. — **New Year's Dance** at Locke Mills Town Hall with music by the Richard Felt Orchestra. Buffet lunch at 9:45 p.m. Donation: \$8.50 each. Non-alcoholic. Proceeds to benefit Greenwood Historical Society.

Wednesday, Jan. 9

7 p.m. — **"Lake Umbagog Wildlife Refuge"** by Paul Casey, refuge manager, sponsored by Mahoosuc Land Trust at Gould Academy's Ordway Hall. Free and open to the public. For more information, call 824-3806.

Thursday, Jan. 10

Celebrating Fatherhood, Father and Child Events, sponsored by Community Concepts, Craft and Play Time with dinner at Rumford. For more information and to sign up, call Jonathan Goldberg (824-3459) or Sally Goddard at 743-7716.

Sunday, Feb. 17

11 a.m. to 1 p.m. — **Oxford ARC 27th annual Ride-In 2002** at Horizons Unlimited, Swain Road, Rumford, sponsored by Northern Oxford County Snowmobile and Service Clubs from Rumford, Mexico, Peru, Dixfield, Carthage, Weld, Roxbury, Andover, Newry and Canton. Raffle drawing at 12:30 p.m. For more information, call Tanya at 364-4561.

Second Wednesday: Gilead selectmen meet at Town Office, 7 p.m. Tax collector also holds hours.
Friends of the West Paris Library, 6:30 p.m. (new members welcome)

Oxford County Democrats, Contact: Cathy Newell at 875-2116.
First and Third Wednesday: Newry Planning Board, Town Office, 7 p.m.

Second and Fourth Wednesday: Bethel Planning Board meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Fourth Wednesday: Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, H.F. Richardson Tent #19, East Stoneham, K of P Hall, 7 p.m. For more info, call 928-2611.

Women's Fellowship, West Parish Congregational Church, Garland Chapel, Bethel, 9:30 a.m.
Jefferson Chapter, 89, OES, Bryant Pond, 6:30 p.m.; refreshments, 7:30 meeting. (Except July and Aug.)

Last Wednesday of Sept., Nov., Jan., March and May: Crescent Park School PTA, 6:30-8 p.m. Babysitting provided.
Every Wednesday: TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 5:45-7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

The Harmony Singers, a new Bethel community chorus, rehearses from 7:00 to 8:30 pm Wednesday evenings at 196 Intervale Road. This group welcomes singers of all ages and abilities. Join us on Wednesday evenings or send inquiries to jilln@etel.net or call 824-8721.

First Thursday: United Methodist Women meet at the Bethel Methodist Church at 1 p.m.
Bethel Recreation Board meeting, 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Second Thursday: Board of Directors of Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce meets at Bethel Alliance Church, 7:30 a.m.

Newry Fire Auxiliary meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.
Bethel Lodge #97, AF & AM.
A book discussion group at Whitman Memorial Library at 10:00am starting October 11.

First and Third Thursday: Jackson-Silver Post, Locke Mills, 7 p.m.
West Paris Grange #298, 7:30pm, Call 674-3962 or 674-3046

Fourth Thursday: Bethel Area Poets Society Reading, 7 to 9 p.m. Call 824-3427 for more info.

Every Thursday: Andover Water District Board of Directors meets at 7 p.m.
West Paris Board of Selectmen meet at the Town Office, 6:30 p.m.

Middle and High School Youth Groups, 6:30 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.
First Friday: The Oxford County Mineral and Geologic Association meets at 7 p.m. at the Newry home of Norman and Eleanor Davis, 824-2844.

MS self-help group at the West Parish Congregational Church next to Gould Academy. Call Gale Tott at 836-2900 for more information. 1-2:30 p.m.

Third Friday: Mt. Abram Lodge, IOOF, 7:30 p.m.
Every Friday: Game Party at Jackson-Silver Post No. 68, Gore Road, Locke Mills, 6 p.m.

First Saturday: Western Maine Mountain Jeepers meet at 7 p.m. at Bethel Fire Station.
St. Andrews Society meeting, 10 a.m., Harvest House, Lisbon (business meeting with lunch).

Second Saturday: Woodstock Historical Society meets at 7 p.m. in historical society museum. Open to public.
Last Saturday: Upton Planning Board meets at 9 a.m. at the Town Office.

Seasonal only: Every Saturday: Bethel Farmers' Market, Bethel Area Health Center parking lot, 9 a.m. - 12 noon. Locally grown produce and local goods.

Items for the Community Calendar may be brought to The Bethel Citizen office, mailed in or phoned in at 824-2444. The deadline is Monday noon.

Church Services

Bethel

Bethel Alliance Church—Rev. Rick Mowery, 10:00 a.m. worship. Sunday School at 9:00 a.m. Men's and women's groups Sunday at 6:00 p.m. Home prayer groups 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays. Youth ministries 6:30 p.m. Thursdays.

Church of the Nazarene—Pastor Chuck Mason, 9:30 a.m. Sunday school (2 hours, including recreation activities; call 824-4028 for transportation). 10:30 a.m. morning worship. 6 p.m. evening service. 824-4028 (voice mail) or 824-7289 for more info.

West Parish Congregational—Rev. Brendon Bass and Rev. Jean Bass, 10:30 a.m. worship and church school. Nursery care provided. Prayer, Tues., 8 a.m.

Our Lady of the Snows—Mass—Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Starting Dec. 8, please note the time change. 743-2606. Pastor Father Maurice Lebel 743-2606.

United Methodist—Rev. Walter Brown, Pastor, 10 a.m. Sunday worship. Rainbow Church School, 3-5 p.m. Thursdays (all ages welcome).

West Bethel Union—Rev. John Williams, 9 a.m. worship and church school. For info. call 836-2844 or 836-2882.

Pleasant Valley Bible—Pastor Clifford McMullen, 9 a.m. Sunday school. 10 a.m. worship. 836-2828.

Episcopal House Church—Third Sunday each month at the Bohrs' on 38 Chapman Street, at 4 p.m. For more information, call 824-2913.

Church of Christ—at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mill Road (Rt. 26), Bethel. Worship at 10 a.m. Sunday. Bible study at 11 a.m. 824-3577.

Mahoosuc Mountain Friends—a worship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers)—Sunday 9:30 a.m. at 558 E. Bethel Rd. Newcomers welcome. First Day School activities provided for children. Call Marie Hickey (875-2257) for more info.

Worldwide Church of God—10:30 a.m. first, second third (and fifth) Saturday each month. Services held in the dining hall of the West Parish Congregational Church. Contact: George Weber, 892-0779

Woodstock

Bryant Pond Baptist—Rev. Peter Laites, Sundays: Sunday School 9:15am; Adult Bible Fellowship 9:15am; Morning Worship 10:30am; Choir Practice 4:45pm; Evening Preaching Service 6:00pm. Wednesdays: Patch the Pirate Club 6:30pm; Prayer Meeting and Bible Study 6:30pm.

Unitarian Universalist—Will hold it's December service on Sunday, December 23 at 4:00pm. Services will then be suspended until Easter when we will resume the first and third Sundays.

Woodstock Seventh-day Adventist—Pastor Richard Wright (207-797-9678), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.

Pinhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock)—Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

Andover

First Congregational Church—Pastor Jane Rich. 10 a.m. Sunday worship service. Religious education: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15 p.m.

Calvary Congregational Church—Pastor John O'Keefe. Winter hours: Sunday School 9:30am, Sunday AM worship 10:45am, Sunday PM praise 6:30pm, Wednesday bible study and prayer meeting 6:45pm, Thursday Men's Discipleship 7:00pm, Friday Avana clubs: Sparks 3:30-5:00, Big 4 Clubs 6-8 pm. Contact church for schedule of Ladies Discipleship and bible study groups. Route 5, S. Andover. 392-1121.

Gorham, N.H.

Assembly of God—Pastor Paul Levigen. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible study 7 p.m. (603-466-2851).

Locke Mills

Locke Mills Union—Rev. Deborah M. Jenks, 9 a.m. worship and Sunday school.

East Stoneham

Oxford County United Parish—Rev. George Froberg, 10 a.m. worship; Sunday School 10:00am at North Waterford Church through winter months.

Newry

Newry Community Church—Sunday worship service, 9 a.m. Rodney H. Hanscom, pastor. (Services in the church will resume in April)

Albany

Congregational Church—Hunt's Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 Thursdays at the church.

Norway/Paris

Christian Science Society (9 Stevens St.)—Sunday Service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony Service 7:30 p.m. Call 824-4099 for info.

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church—Route 117N, S. Paris, Pastor Tom Teichman n. Sunday Morning Service 9 a.m. with coffee fellowship immediately after.

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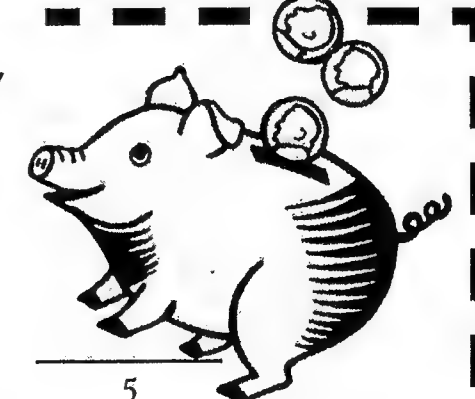
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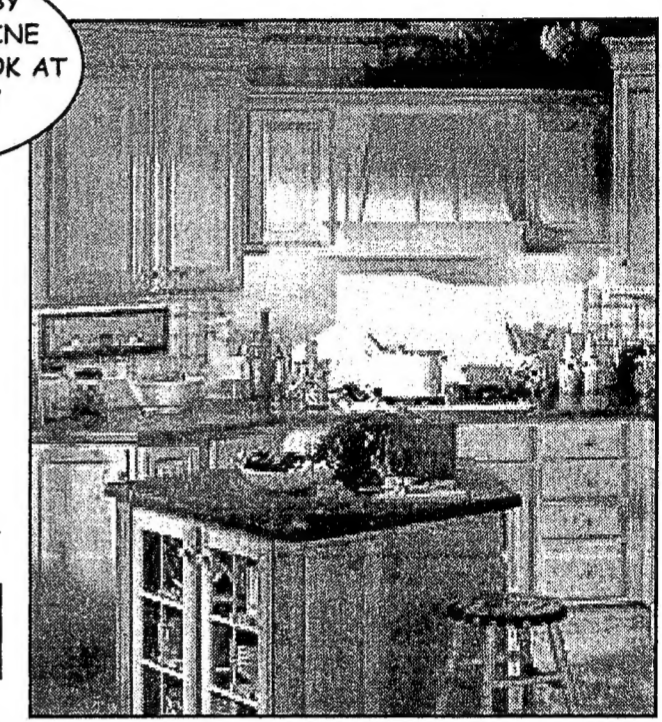
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Greenwood Waterfront Listing! We're inviting you to take a look at this wonderful little camp on Hicks Pond. It offers a living room, kitchen, sun-room, 2 bedrooms and 1 bath. Also one car garage and lovely yard at the waters edge. \$89,900

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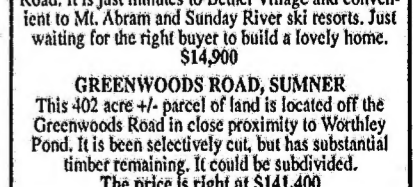
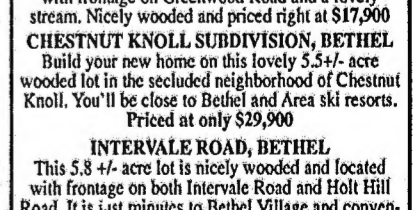
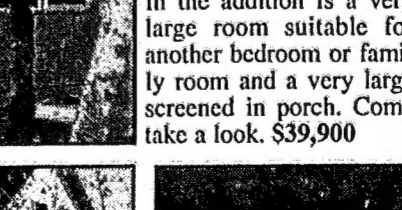
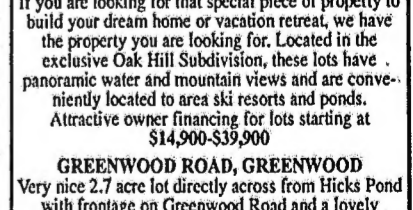
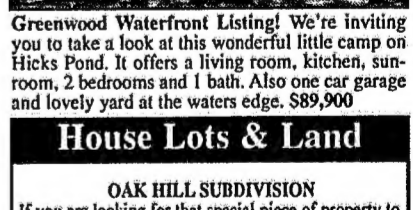
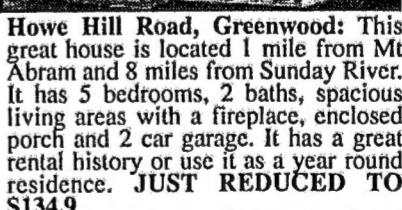
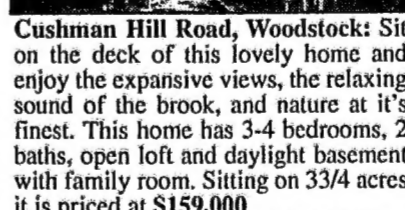
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Intervale Road, Bethel: This lovely, well maintained, 3 bedroom modular home has lots to offer. It sits on a 2.27+- acre lot with a small pond in front and an in ground swimming pool. It is close to Bethel and area ski resorts. \$129,900

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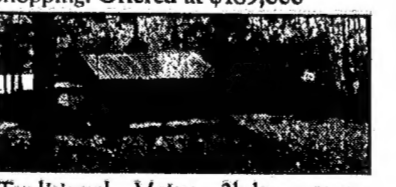
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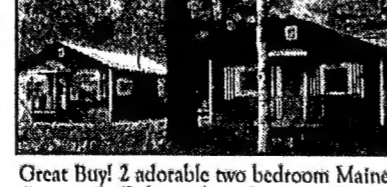
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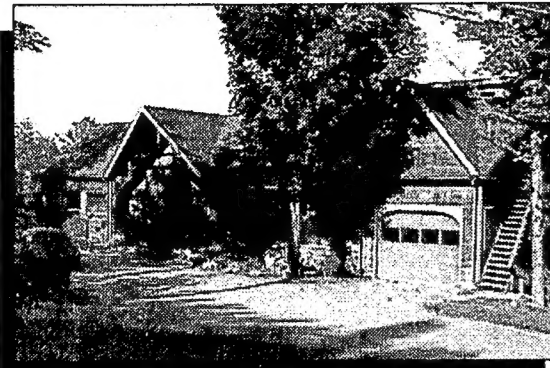
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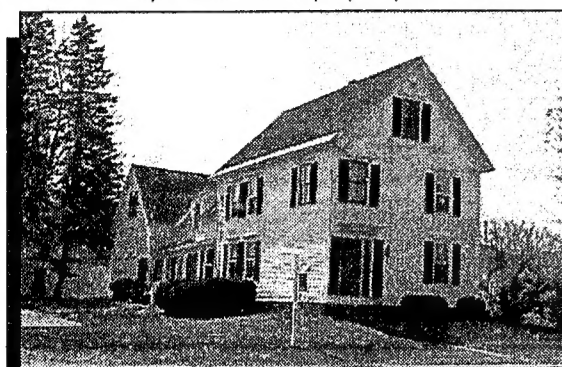
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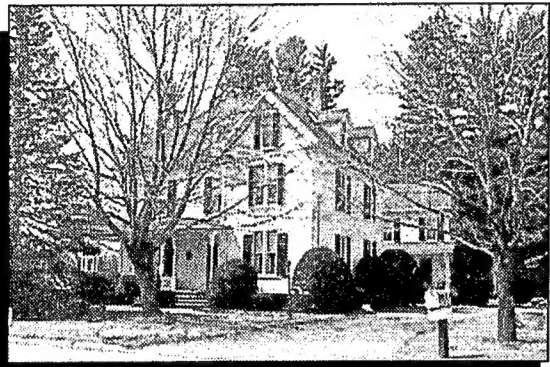
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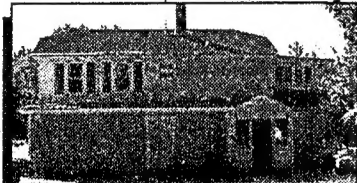
CUSTOM BUILT - PARADISE LOCATION: This home is extremely well designed with an open floor plan highlighting its quality finish work and extra customized details. The living room has a cathedral ceiling with exposed handcrafted mahogany beams. Features also include: mahogany wood floor, ceramic tile floor, huge gourmet kitchen with butcher block island, screened in porch with views of Mt. Abram, four bedrooms, library, elegant dining room, two living rooms and an in-law or caretaker's apartment. This is truly a luxury home. \$269,900



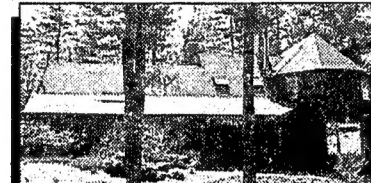
The Farwell House, Circa 1876: Warm and inviting Colonial that has been home to two families in its history. A wonderful combination of old and new. Ideally situated on the corner of Elm Street and Route 2, this home lends itself to a comfortable family residence or a variety of commercial opportunities. In-law apartment, two car garage, barn. \$249,000



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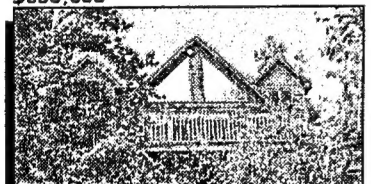
Architecturally Designed Hide-Away: Situated on 5+/- acres of land, this magnificent house with wonderful views overlooking the Village of Bethel, Western mountains & the Androscoggin River. Four bedrooms, den, lots of built-in shelves, great closet space, a very special guest cabin. Beautifully landscaped. Additional land available. \$350,000



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SUNDAY RIVER VILLAGE: What an opportunity! Located right in the heart of Sunday River Village, this cozy 4 bedroom home is conveniently located near the mountain. Excellent rental history and priced reasonably @ \$159,000



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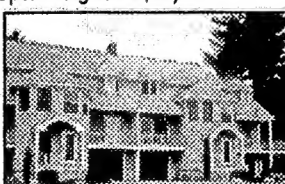
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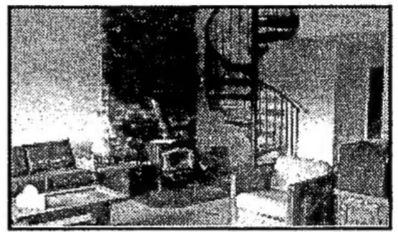
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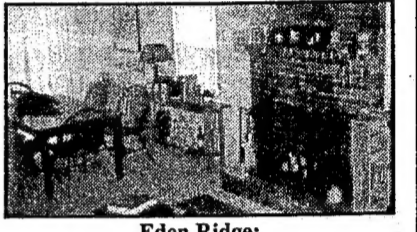
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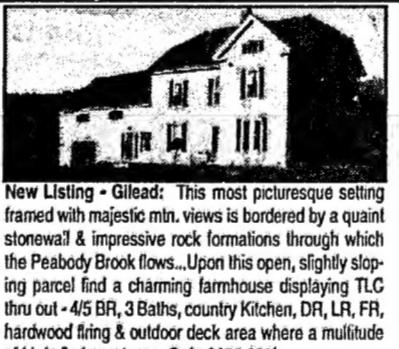
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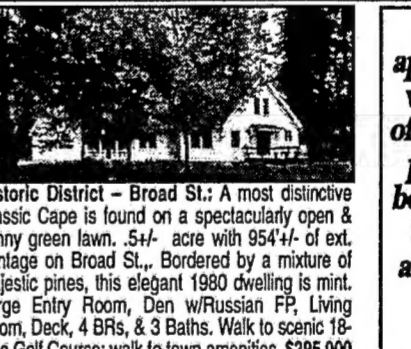
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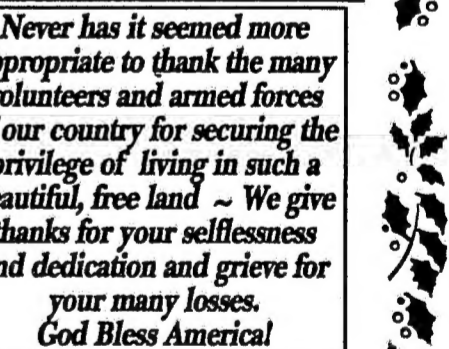
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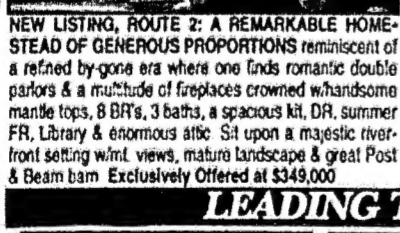
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Obituaries



ALICE H. KIMBALL

Alice H. Kimball, age 92, of Songo Pond Road, Albany, died Friday, Dec. 7, 2001, at Stephens Memorial Hospital, as a result of an automobile accident, with her family at her side.

Mrs. Kimball was born on April 27, 1909, in Mars Hill, the daughter of the late Amber Ethel Grass and Gaunce Robert Hunter. She graduated valedictorian from Unity High School, where she played varsity basketball, and attended Farmington Normal School, where she earned her certificate in teaching. She taught at the Worth School, Wood's School, and the Fowler Corner Schools in Unity. In 1930, she graduated from the Pelletier's Beauty Culture School in Lewiston. She worked at the Bateler's Beauty Parlor in Gardiner. While there, she met Ralph Kimball, whom she married in 1941. The next year, Alice and Ralph moved into the farmhouse in Albany.

While raising four daughters, Alice served as the bookkeeper for Ralph's sawmill business and assisted with their family operations of maple sugaring and raspberry picking. She also was a member of the Oxford County Cooperative Extension, a leader of the Girl Scouts of America, Sunday School Teacher, and treasurer of the Songo Cemetery Association. Alice also worked for several years in the

kitchen at Gould Academy and wrote a column for the Bethel Citizen. She attended the West Parish Congregational Church in Bethel and, for many years, was active in the Albany Congregational Church.

Among Alice's many interests were raising flowers, doing crossword puzzles, watching the Boston Red Sox and the Celtics, playing games with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, eating cake and ice cream, reciting famous quotes, and traveling. She had made several trips to the Pacific Northwest and Alaska.

Survivors include four daughters, Dorothy and husband Herbert Adams of Hanover, Norma and husband David Salway of Albany, Ethel and husband Craig Turner of Otisfield, and Sylvia Swan of Auburn; 11 grandchildren, Derek Adams, Erin Adams Gurney, Kathryn Salway Gatchell, Brandon Salway, Sarah Bean Dailey, Amber Bean, David and Jonathan Bean, Sheri, Tami, and Christopher Swan; two step-grandchildren, Mark and David Turner; four great-grandchildren, Kaitlyn and Daniel Gatchell, Kyle Salway, and Stephen Dailey; two brothers, Leroy Hunter of Unity, and Vaughn and his wife Mary of Carlisle, Penn.; and a sister, Ruth Robinson of Gooding, Idaho; and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Ralph; an infant son; her brothers, Robert, Raymond, Norris, and Johnny; and a sister, Dorothy.

Friends may call at the Greenleaf Funeral Home, Vernon Street, Bethel, Friday, Dec. 14, from 4 to 7 p.m. Funeral services will be held at the West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel, on Saturday, Dec. 15, at 11 a.m. Interment will be at the Songo Pond Cemetery, Albany. Friends who wish may make memorial donations in her memory to Songo Pond Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 245, Bethel, ME 04217, or to Albany Improvement Association, P.O. Box 1213, Bethel, ME 04217.



AVIS M. LYONS

Mrs. Avis M. Lyons, 89, died Tuesday, Dec. 4, 2001 at her residence on Penobscot Street, Rumford, after a long battle with cancer.

She was born in Lexington on March 17, 1912, the daughter of Joseph A. and Bessie M. (Longley) Longley. She moved to Rumford in 1924, had attended schools in Fairfield and Rumford and was a member of the Rumford First Baptist Church.

She was married in Mexico, on Nov. 30, 1929, to the late Elmer H. Lyons, who died in Dixfield on July 18, 1987.

Mrs. Lyons spent the summers from 1964 to 2000 as a meeter, greeter and salesperson at the Lyon's Den Antique Shop, Hanover. She especially enjoyed being with and taking photos of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Survivors include two sons; Elmer Jr. and wife Nancy of Hanover, and Clifton and his wife Pauline of Atkinson, N.H.; a granddaughter, Nancy Lynn of Rumford; six grandsons, Cliff and his wife Yi-Jiun of Lake Oswego, Ore., Chris and his wife Gail of Portland, Ore., Craig and his wife Holly of Ellsworth, Elmer III and his wife Deborah of Chelmsford, Mass., Charles and his wife Beth of Ithaca, N.Y., and Jay of Maryland Heights, Mo.; and eight great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her four brothers, one sister, and a granddaughter-in-law.

With respect to her wishes, there was no funeral service. Interment was at Farrington-Morton Cemetery, Mexico.

Weddings



Mr. & Mrs. Richard Jeselskis Jr.

Janel Karen Martin and Richard Jeselskis Jr. were united in marriage on Sept. 15, 2001 at Sailboat Beach, Hermit's Island in Small Point. Carrie Warren of Edgecomb, friend of the couple, officiated at the ceremony.

The bride was given in marriage by her father and attended by both families of the bride and groom.

Attendants were Valery Curtis of Wiscasset, friend of the bride; Jackie Thurston of Bridgton, sister of the bride; Ian Waterhouse of Dryden and Bruce Thibault of Bridgton, friends of the couple.

A reception was held at Meadow Brook Campground in Phippsburg. Following a wedding trip to Nova Scotia, the couple are now at their home in Wiscasset.

The bride is the daughter of Donna and Jim Bernard of Andover and Rex Martin of Bryant Pond. She is a 1989 graduate of Telstar Regional High School and a 1992 graduate of Mid-State College. She is employed at First National Bank in Damariscotta.

The groom is the son of Jean Jeselskis of Mexico and Richard Jeselskis Sr. also of Mexico. He is a 1987 graduate of Mexico High School and is employed at Temp Control in Damariscotta.

Births

Chris and Beth Bennett of Gray are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Kiersten Ann, born on Dec. 1, 2001 at Mercy Hospital, Portland.

Maternal grandmother is Andrea Bennett of Bethel.

Paternal grandparents are Richard and Alix Gebelein of Presque Isle.

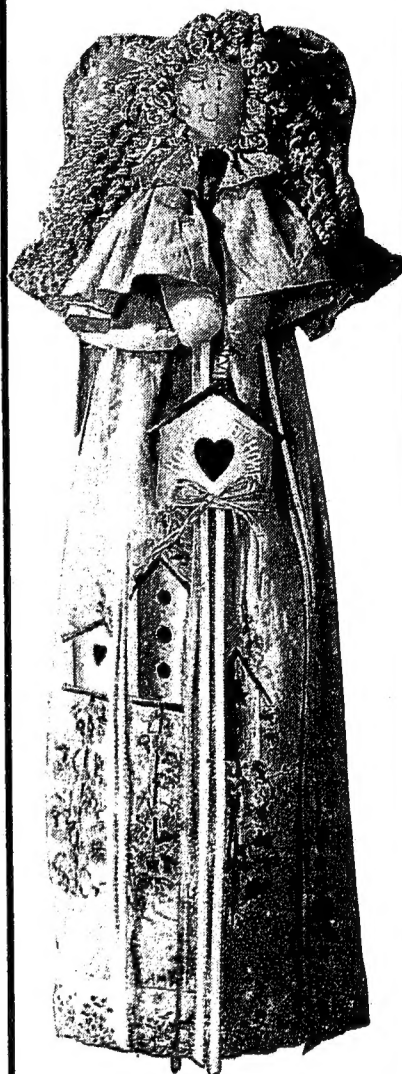
Jon and Caroline Ochtera are the proud parents of a son, Maxwell Otis, born at Mercy Hospital, Portland.

Maternal grandparents are Joyce and Keith Brown of Harpswell.

Paternal grandparents are Jack and Jean Ochtera of Bar Harbor.

Great-grandparents are Otis and Avis Brown of Harpswell, Stanley and Margaret Ochtera of Roslyn, N.Y., and Joseph Pagurko of Topsham.

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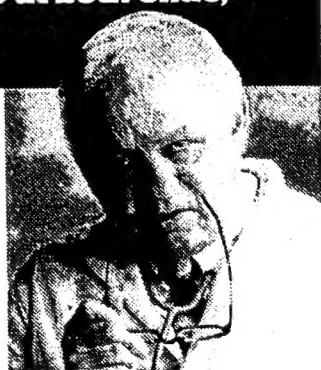
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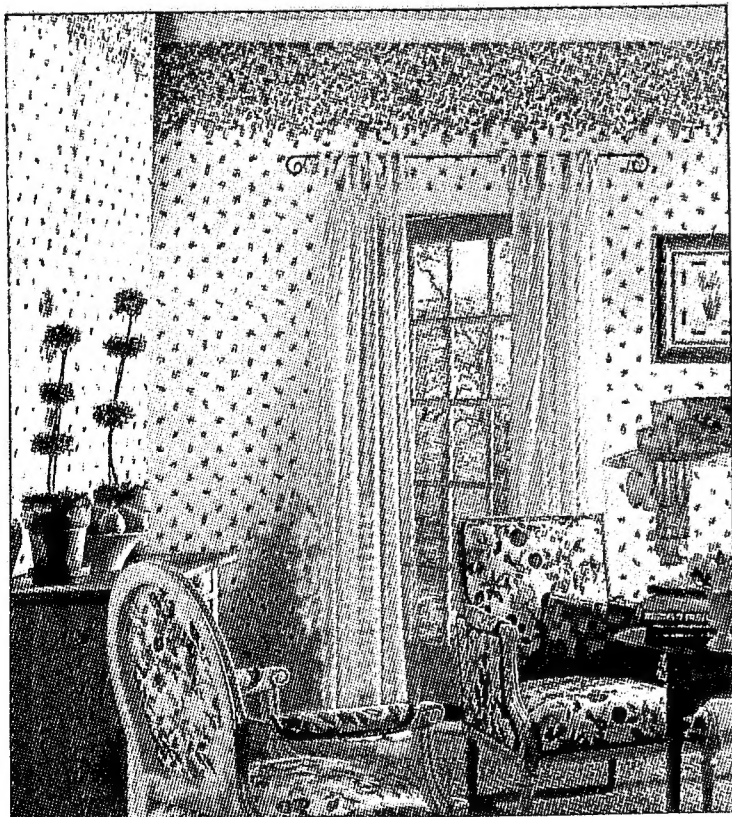
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